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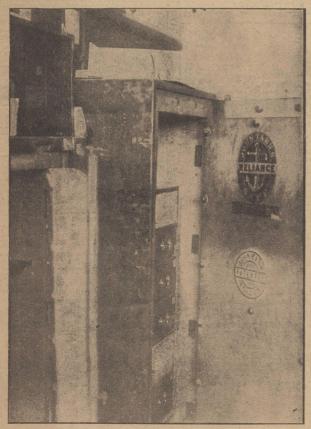
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WOMEN COSSACKS DRILLING.



A scene in the Manchurian village of Vasilicosk, where the inhabitants of both sexes prepared to resist a Japanese invasion. In order to make the women efficient they were drilled daily by a sergeant of Cossacks.

APOLOGY.



In yesterday's issue we erroneously stated that in the burglary of Messrs. Stockall's premises the safe shown above was broken open. This is untrue, for, in fact, the burglars opened the safe with the keys which they took out of Colonel Stockall's pocket. Our original statement, appearing as it did under the above illustration, would naturally reflect upon Mr. John Tann, the well-known safe-maker, as it would imply that his safes were capable of being broken open. This was not our intention, and we apologise to Mr. Tann for so wording the paragraph in question that such a conclusion was possible.

COL, STOCKALL BOUND BY ROBBERS.



He is Colonel of the 21st Middlesex Rifle Volunteers. The thieves stole £4,000 worth of jewellery, and left him tied up. He remained helpless for thirty-six hours.

NEW VISCOUNT RIDLEY. LORD HARDWICKE, DEAD.



Hon. Matthew White Ridley, member of Parliament for Staly-bridge, who succeeds to the title.
—(Lafayette.)



He was only thirty-six years old. This portrait is by "Spy," reproduced by kind permission of "Vanity Fair."

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BIRTHS

BOWLES.-On November 28, at 36, Connaught square, W. the wife of George Stewart Bowles, of a son. GILL.—On Monday, November 28, at No. 9, Lovaine-place Newcastle-upon-Tyne, the wife of Blackett Gill, of

daughter.

PARKINSON,—On November 27, at 17, Langdon Park-road,
Hishgate, to Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Parkinson—a daughter.

PERRCE-SEIDCOGLD.—On November 27, at Chalfont-lodge.
Chalfout 8t. Peter, Bucks, the wife of Oswald Pearceserocial, of a daughter.

WILKIE.—On the 27th inst. at Penn Fields, Wolverhampton, the wife of Mein Wilkis, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

COCKRAM-VATES.—On the 26th inst., at Tottenham, N. by special licence, Charles P. Cockram to Florence Mary Yates, both of Strond-grean, N. Junnings-Tranne.—On November 12, at West Hackney Charch, by the Rev. At. Lukes Thomas, youngest on of John Jennings, Esp., late of Cauterbury, to Grand Gaughter of Arthur Amon. Lukes, Thomas, Pape, of Stoke Navince Country, 1981.

Company and the property of Arthur Trans. Lety, of Stoke MACDONALD—MACRAE—On November 26, at Putney Presbyterian Church, by the Rev. D. O. Macraecov. Wimbledon, assisted by the Rev. Donald Matheson, Macraecov. Management of the Rev. Donald Matheson, Macraecov. Management of the Rev. Donald Matheson, Macraecov. Macraec

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BELK.—On November 29, at & Holmwood," Sheffield, Charles Belk, J.P., in his 65th year.

DOBSON.—On November 37, at Sompting Abbotts, Mary Bodton, of Clinton Lodge, Fretching, dusphter of the late Particular Company, and the state of the late PREMING—On the state of the late PREMING—On the state of the late PREMING—On the state of the late William Palgrave, of Great Varnouth, TAINES—On November 27, of heart failure, at The Lilace, of Frederick Henry Heines, also of 8, Alfred-place West, S.W.

S.W. SECOMBE.—On the 28th inst, at 81, Belgrave-road, S.W. Elizabeth Jane, only daughter of the late sichn Secombe. Elizabeth Jane, only daughter of the late sichn Secombe. WALKER.—On the 28th inst, at 20, Addison-street, Nottingham, Edith Amy, the dearly-loved wife of T. P. Walker, and youngest daughter of the late Frederic Debent, of that City.

PERSONAL.

CARLTON.-Impossible. Awfully sorry. Will explain by letter. Give address.-HENRY.

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BRANTED.—Since you ask I will tell you I think neither the idea nor the way it is carried out of any value.—G. 8, BENNEFACTRESS.—A thousand thanks, I can repay cash in three months, but shall ever be indebted for kindness. D. M.

MINSTREL.—Your efforts have been much appreciated. If you see this send word directly you can come again.—
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AMUSEMENTS, CONCERTS, Etc.

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NEAR THE SUMMIT

Japanese on the Eve of a Great Capture.

STRONG FORT THREATENED.

If 203-Metre Hill Can be Taken the End is Near.

After desperate fighting the Japanese have captured outlying works and trenches at 203 Metre Hill, one of the most important of Port Arthur's defences.

When this falls the guns of the besiegers will dominate the harbour, and the end will be near.

The fort is situated on the north-west of the town, and occupies one of the loftiest eminences in the vicinity.

It is estimated that 90 per cent. of the complete occupation of Port Arthur has now been finished.

"FIRMLY CAPTURED."

Official Statement of the Position Before Port Arthur.

Tokio, Tuesday.-Imperial Headquarters have issued the following summary of the situation before Port Arthur :-

"With regard to the enemy's forts on Sungshu shan and to the eastward thereof, we have firmly captured the crests of the glacis at the counter-scarps and the adjoining works, but the time to storm has not yet come.

"At present we are destroying the casemates and other caponieres at 203 Metre Hill. By several charges we have succeeded in capturing the enemy's shelter trenches near the summit. "At present our force is holding the position which it has gained, and is endeavouring to capture the whole fort,"—Reture's Special Service,

STORMING WITH SANDBAGS.

How the Japanese Captured and Held the Trenches

During three days of desperate fighting, from November 24 to November 27, according to Reuter's Chifu correspondent, the Japanese performed marvels of valour.

A detachment of the Eleventh Division began to advance on the afternoon of the 24th, after the position had been bombarded for several days, and rushed against the trenches guarding the approach to the south-east fort of the Kikwanshan group, the Japanese grillery at the same time

proach to the south-east fort of the Kikwanshan group, the Japanese artillery at the same time pouring in a fire from every available gun against the Erhlungshan and Antsushan forts.

The possession of the trenches was stubbornly contested, but after five hours 'fighting and several repulses the Japanese finally drove out the Russians and destroyed the trenches.

A large proportion of the assailants carried sandhags, and behind these they succeeded in entrenching themselves in the captured positions.

At eleven o'clock in the evening of the same day the Russians made a sortie from the fort behind, which, the Japanese say, was repulsed after two hours' fighting.

BALTIC FLEET

France Permits Repairs to a Torpedoboat Destroyer.

News of scattered units of the Baltic Fleet comes from all quarters of the globe.

At Brest there is a torpedo-boat destroyer—the Prouzitelni—waiting for repairs. In getting up the anchor she sustained damage to her hull.

The French Minister of Marine has decided that the damage involves the safety of the crew, and that repairs may therefore be effected at Brest without French neutrality being violated.

A Russian cruiser, with three funnels, has passed Nyborg, steaming north.

The Russian transport Condor has arrived at the West African port of Dakar.

NORTH SEA INQUIRY.

Admiral Dewey Declines to Serve on the Commission.

A telegram to the New York "Sun," from Washington, says that Admiral Dewey has positively declined to serve on the International Commission of Inquiry into the North Sea incident. It is practically certain that either Rear-Admiral Davis, Rear-Admiral Chadwick, or Rear-Admiral Sands will be the nominee.

Vice-Admiral Fournite has been designated to act as the French representative on the Commission,

Westerly breezes; misty; rather milder;) To-Day's Weather [Lighting-up time, 4.53 p.m. Sea passages slight rain or sleet in places.]

RUSSIA BUYING SHIPS.

English Owners Tempted to Sell Their Vessels.

AGENTS BUSY IN LONDON.

Some sensation was caused on the Baltic and Shipping Exchange yesterday by an inquiry from York for twelve modern steamers of about 10,000 tons

19,000 tons.

It was stated that no offers would be considered unless the steamers in question had an average speed of thirteen knots.

The offer comes from a well-known New York firm, and it is believed that the vessels are required

The offer comes from a well-known New York firm, and it is believed that the vessels are required for the Russian Government.

A prominent shipbroker informed the Daily Mirror that several large steamers in the Atlantic, Australian, and Eastern trades had been offered. The big companies have to go carefully, however, lest they offend the Government and lose subsidies. All purchases have, therefore, to be made through a third part.

Russian agents have been visiting London, Liverpool, Glasgow, and other home ports in search of suitable steamers, and reporting to their Government. So far they have only purchased two steamers, the Vickerstrom and the Maori King.

"No Government," said the broker in conclusion, "can prevent merchant vessels being sold."

COALING AT CARDIFF. Authorities Permit German Steamer to Carry Cargoes.

With the view of obtaining details respecting the coaling of the Russian fleet by German steamers, the Daily Mirror yesterday visited a German vessel, the Captain W. Menzell, at Cardiff, but the captain and his German crew refused all information.

There can be no doubt, however, that the ver as taken out one cargo, and has returned

nother.
The Captain W. Menzell left Cardiff on Septem-

The Captain W. Menzell left Cardiff on September 17, arriving at Las Palmas of the 27th, leaving for Tangier on October 18.

Upon reaching Tangier, on October 30, the steamer was ordered back to Dakar, and arrived November 11. The return voyage was started from Dakar on the 15th inst.

It is surmised that the cargo of colal was disposed of to three or four warships between the places named.

named.

The Cardiff authorities are not taking any action in the matter, and the sailing of the Captain W. Menzell again will not be hindered. They regard her as a neutral vessel, and not liable to account to the British Government.

Three more steamers have been chartered at Cardiff for Japan, making eleven to load in De-

The coal has been sold to a private individual in

MADAME CALVE ILL.

Appendicitis Causes Her to Disappoint a Vienna Audience.

VIENNA, Tuesday,—The prima donna, Mme. Calve, was suddenly taken ill early this evening at the Hotel Imperial. The doctors called in after consultation diagnosed the complaint as appendicitis, and it is feared that an operation will be

necessary.

In the meantime a large and fashionable audience, including most of the aristocracy and the Diplomatic Corps, filled the great hall of the Vienna Musical Society awaiting the great singer, who was considerably overdue. It was necessary to announce her sudden indisposition, which evoked a general feeling of sympathy.

Mme. Calve is booked for an extensive concert tour, and intended going to St. Petersburg.—Reuter.

300 CYCLE ACCIDENTS.

Because of the many accidents that have occurred on it, the Middlesex County Council want to close Grove Hill, Harrow, against motor traffic. At the Local Government Board inquiry yesterday a gentleman who lives at the foot of the hill stated that during his ten years' residence he had witnessed over 300 accidents to cyclists, not actually by seeing them come to grief, but because his house practically became the hospital.

The closing of the hill is opposed by the Automobile Club.

SUBMARINES FOR VLADIVOSTOK.

St. Petersburg, Tuesday.—The submarines Delphine and Soma left St. Petersburg yesterday. It is expected that the vessels will arrive at Vladivostok within the next four weeks.—Exchange.

Greek bands, says Reuter, have attacked a wedding party near Monastir, killing thirteen persons and wounding five.

MONEY AND MYSTERY.

Lady's Extraordinary Loans Amaze America.

SYMPATHETIC BANK MANAGER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

NEW YORK, Tuesday .- Loans, amounting to twice as much as the bank's capital, made to a Mrs. Leroy Chadwick, have led to the closing of the National Bank of Oberlin, Ohio

The bank lent £22,000 to Mrs. Chadwick, who gave as security two notes, one for £50,000, both alleged to be endorsed by a great American multi-

millionaire.

The disclosures regarding other financial transactions of Mrs. Chadwick, who bears a remarkable resemblance to "Lydia de Vere," the forger, clairvoyant, and hypnotist, have caused a national sensation, the case recalling the Humbert affair.

The president of the bank maintains that Mrs. Chadwick is financially able to pay. He refuses to give the name of the wealthy endorser. He leat the money because the woman gained his sympathies. Besides, she showed him a vast quantity of jewels which she possessed.

£1,000,000 AS SECURITY.

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Mr. Herbert Newton, the millionaire, of Massachusetts, from whom the woman obtained a loan of nearly 249,000 on the representation that she had 21,000,000 in trust securities deposited with the Wade Park Bank, of Cleveland, Ohio, has gone to that city to pursue his investigations.

The woman's husband, Dr. Chadwick, is travelling in Europe.

Mrs. Chadwick recently tried to raise large loans here. Her method was to offer heavy prospective bonuses. She had sumptuous apartments at Holland House until yesterday, when she moved secretly with her son and maid.

Several Ohio banks are reported to be in a precarious condition owing to the woman's transactions, and more failures are expected.

PORTSMOUTH DISASTER.

Due to the Premature Explosion of a Mine

An inquiry into the cause of the explosion which led to the naval disaster at Portsmouth was held on H.M.S. Vernon yesterday, Captain Oliver presid-

The proceedings were private, but after the inquiry was adjourned in the afternoon it transpired

quiry was adjourned in the afternoon it transpired that the cause of the disaster had been the premature explosion of one of the 18½th. mines under the stern of the pinnace.

How it came to explode there was not clearly revealed. The mine should have been exploded when fifty yards astern of the pinnace, but it was supposed that the rope had in some way become entangled with the screw of the boat, and thus the mine had been kept close under her stern until it exploded.

Great courage and unselfishness were displayed

until it exploded.
Great courage and unselfishness were displayed
by many of the men who were flung into the water.
Instead of looking after themselves the good
swimmers helped their comrades, especially those
who were badly injured.
Lieutenant Riley saved the life of Petty-officer
Spracklin, the cosswain, who was frightfully injured and unable to keep himself afloat.

LASHED TO A WRECK.

American Sailors Rescued by British in Mid-Atlantic.

For thirty hours during a blinding hurricane in mid-Atlantic the captain and seven of the crew of a helpless American schooner remained lashed to the top of the cabin-house before they were rescued by a British steamer.

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The unfortunate vessel was the Islesboro, bound from Savanpah to New Bradford with lumber. Four days after sailing a hurricane swept the ship, every stitch of canvas being blown into ribbons. Failing to ride out the gale, the captain drove his vessel before it under bare poles. Huge waves smashed open the deck forward, and the vessel sprang a leak, settling down by the head.

Fortunately the lumber kept her from foundering, although most of the deck cargo was swept away. The crew huddled together near the cabin-house, lashed themselves to the top, and with the assistance of an improvised stove and some preserved fruit managed to keep themselves alive.

From Sunday night till Tuesday morning they remained exposed to the pitiless fury of the gale, when the Leith steamer Atholi hove in sight and took them off, landing them safely in New York

Inquiries made among chemists in Lincolnshire and Cambridgeshire yesterday revealed the fact that the country folks' habit of drinking laudanum referred to at the inquest reported yesterday was well known.

LORD HARDWICKE.

Life-work and Romance of a Poor Peer.

PLUCKY FIGHT FOR FAME.

The Earl of Hardwicke, Under-Secretary of State for India, died in his sleep yesterday morning at his house in Regent's Park, in his thirtyeighth year.

Few political careers have promised so brightly as Lord Hardwicke's, for he was regarded as "sound"-rare praise in these days-and was avowedly popular.

He was gifted with a clear brain and a strong will to carry his ideas through.

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And now he has passed away on the threshold of a career carved for himself out of not very promising materials.

At twenty-four Lord Hardwicke found himself a poor peer. All his great family estates were gone.

Before him was either a rich marriage or work.

He was a man, and chose the work.

ON THE STOCK EXCHANGE.

He went on the Stock Exchange, where his ex-eptional business abilities and tact in society soon rought him a large business, the Rothschilds being among the great financiers with whom he

being among are shad dealings.

But before then he had started life as an attaché
at Vienna from 1886 to 1891, when he came home to
go into the City, and he had also been a captain

go into the City, and he had also been a captain of Militia.

After a while he thought the time had come for him to enter public life. He became a member of the London County Council-representative of Marylebone, where Lord Onslow made him his

Marylebone, where Lord Onslow made him his protégé. Graduating here in political work, he soon left Spring-gardens to the higher state of Under Secretary for India in succession to Lord Onslow. He was still a member of the Stock Exchange. To this the House of Lords took exception. He defended himself brilliantly. He referred first to his penniless outlook. "Any young peer," he said, "can exchange his cornect for an assured income, but I preferred to make my own living."

living."

He insisted on his right to remain a member of his City firm, but promised to take no active part in the business.

MINISTER AND JOURNALIST.

In the reconstruction of 1902 he was made nder Secretary for War, and proved though not brilliant speaker, a capable and energetic ad-

When Mr. Brodrick left the War Office in 1903 s lieutenant returned to his former position at the India Office.

Of late years he had added to his varied occupa-tions a controlling share in the "Saturday Review." He was greatly responsible for its rise into the position of a paying property. He was a writer of

no mean merit.

The late Earl was the sixth in succession. The title passes to his uncle, the Hon. J. Manners Yorke, late captain in the Royal Navy, J.P., and D.L. for Cambridgeshire.

The first Earl, Charles Yorke, was the son of a Lord Chancellor, and himself a Lord Chancellor-an unparalleled thing. He, too, died suddenly while the patent was being drawn up making him Baron Morden.

L.C.C.'s TRIBUTE.

At the London County Council, before business opened, yesterday afternoon, Mr. J. W. Benn, the chairman, moved that an expression of the deepest sympathy should be sent to the relatives of the noble Lord. The motion was carried in sym-

OPPOSITION TO GREEK FAILS.

The proposal to abolish compulsory Greek in certain examinations at Oxford University was rejected by Congregation yesterday. One hundred and sixty-four votes were given for and two hundred against the preamble of the statute, which provided that in the final honour school of mathematics or of natural science French or German might, under certain circumstances, be substituted for Greek.

COLISEUM'S OPENING DAY.

We understand from the management that the We understand from the management that the Coliseum, London's new place of entertainment, will be opened, without fail, on December 19, the Monday before Christmas.

The box-office will be opened on December 12, and every seat in the spacious building, even the sixpenny seats, can be booked in advance.

TREASURE TROVE AT OSWESTRY.

While digging a field for the making of a new road at Oswestry yesterday some navvies came across a vessel containing a large quantity of gold and silver coins of the reigns of Henry VIII. and Charles L.

HOTEL TRAGEDY.

American's Leap to Death at the Carlton.

FALL OF 70 FEET.

While the famous Carlton band was playing light music and beautifully-dressed women were gaily chatting with their cavaliers just before dinner, a terrible tragedy occurred in the Carlton Hotel.

But a few yards away from where the lighthearted, magnificantly-dressed crowd was gathering a young man threw himself over the banisters from the fifth floor, and, falling a distance of seventy feet on to the marble flooring near the Haymarket entrance, was so fearfully injured that he died in a few hours.

The tragedy occurred about seven o'clock on Monday night, but the facts only came to light yesterday.

Very few of the crowd of people in the magnificent hotel knew of this young man's awful death.

Victim Enters the Hotel.

Mr. Elverten Chapman, the victim of the tragedy, was in the prime of life. His age was twenty-three. He was tall, beautifully built, and well set-up, with fair hair and blue eyes. Sen of a New York banker, he had come to London, via Paris, where he stayed some time, on a purely business visit. His father has business connec-

business, visit. His father has business, connections in Paris.

He arrived at the hotel about eleven on Sunday might, alone, but with considerable luggage. The hotel officials found something odd in his manner, but put it down to the fatigue which necessarily follows a long journey, and the lateness of the hour. He went straight to his room, but made a disturbance during the night. A hotel clerk was sent up to quiet him, and succeeded in doing so. He is said to have been found posing in front of his glass with a loaded revolver in his hand. At any rate, a loaded revolver and his razor were taken from him in case he should do himself mischief.

Persuaded to See a Doctor.

On Monday morning he went into the City.
Returning to the hotel about lunch-time he was
persuaded to see a doctor. The doctor, finding he
meeded attention, sent a male attendant to look

In the course of the afternoon Mr. Chapman retired to bed. About 6 o'clock two friends called to see him, and were shown to his room. The attendant, who had been with him all the time, such and private conversation was desired, and retired. Some twenty minutes later the three friends appeared on the landing. Mr. Chapman was in pyjamas. He said goodbye to his friends, and the moment they turned their backs hobbled along the corridor pursued-by the attendant.

Threw Himself Down.

Amid screams from the maids and shouts for help from the man, he ran a few steps downstairs, and then threw himself over. He camoned against the banisters on the third floor, bending them badly, turned over, tunbled threw the air, crashed into a brass pedestal at the foot of the staircase, which he wrecked, and came with a thud to the floor. Here he lay groaning, terribly mangled, with blood pouring from his head, and his scanty clothing torn to ribbons.

The attendants rushed to him, drew a acceen round him, and sent hurriedly for a doctor. On the arrival of the doctor, the wretched man was earried groaning to his room, where he lingered ill eleven o'clock, when he died.

At two o'clock yesterday morning the body was removed to the Westminster Mortuary, to await the inquest, which will take place to-morrow. Amid screams from the maids and shouts for help

"ACROBATIC BURGLAR" SENTENCED.

The dangerous criminal known to the Scotland Yard detectives as "the acrobatic burglar "-wiz., Theodore Huber, alias Thomas Heller, alias Vincent Fence-aged twenty-three, was yesterday, at the Kent Assizes, sentenced to fifteen years' penal servitude for shoōting at a Margate policeman.

WANTED, A WORKHOUSE.

At their meeting yesterday afternoon the City Guardians had before them an application from the Shoreditch Board of Guardians asking them if they had a workhouse for sale, and if not, whether the board could offer them accommodation? The matter was referred to the committee.

LORD KELVIN'S LATEST HONOUR.

Lord Kelvin was yesterday installed as Chan-cellor of the University of Glasgow, in succession to the late Earl of Staur. The distinguished scientist and inventor delivered an address dealing comprehensively with university

THAW GENERAL.

Six People Walk Into Docks During Fog.

The great blizzard, the grip of winter, and the prospects of skating, all melted away yesterday. Here and there in the provinces there was a frost, but in most parts of the kingdom the snow and ice

Skaters in London and the south have given up hope of their favourite pastime for the present, though at various places in the provinces skating is

though at various places in the provinces skating is still going on.
Dritzling rain fell in the West of Scotland yesterday. The fog of Monday, the worst Glasgow had ever experienced, had disappeared.
While it continued 180,000 units of electricity were used, \$0,000 more than usual, and \$8,500,000 cubic feet of gas, 10,000,000 more than the customary daily consumption.
Six people actually walked into the harbour during the dense fog, but were all rescued by means of rope ladders and life-buoys.
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Though a sudden touch of frost after thaw caused the Leicester races to be abandoned, yet the snow was melting again yesterday afternoon. Yesterday morning the streets of Nottingham were a mass of ice, and the roads and pavements were almost impassible till sand was laid down. There was a heavy fog in the early hours.

HUNGER AND DISTRESS.

Special Measures to Help Unemployed and Starving Children.

The distress owing to the bad weather is general, and all over the country the municipal authorities have been compelled to continue their exceptional efforts to meet the needs of the un-

exceptional efforts to meet the needs of the unemployed and the staving children.

In Leeds there are 7,000 school children in need
of temporary assistance out of 83,000 on the rolls.
About 5,000 free dinners are being supplied daily
in the various wards throughout the city.

Farthing dinners for starving children are being
dealt out by hundreds eyery day in Derby.

In one district alone in Bristol, St. Philip's
More of the first of the first of the starving children are
folk, out of 200 families fifty-nine have their menfolk, out of 200 families fifty-nine have their men-

Marsh, out of 200 families fifty-nine have their men-folk out of work.

To find work for 100 men for six or seven weeks. 21,600 has been voted to the city surveyor of Bath.

To assist the unemployed at Nottingham, the council have decided to at once put in hand public works which will cost about 4213,600.

Nearly 4,600 unemployed have registered them-selves at the various police stations in Manchester in the last week.

THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.

Arrangements for a Quiet Celebration at Sandringham.

To-morrow is Queen Alexandra's birthday. It is, the forty-first she has spent in England—the country of her adoption.

From all quarters of the globe loyal subjects and devoted friends will send greetings to the highest and noblest lady in the Empire.

The Queen will spend her birthday quietly at Sandringham, where the King has also taken up his residence. Her Majesty will be surrounded by most of the members of the Royal Family.

The King, accompanied by the Prince of Wales, went rabbit shooting in Babingley Woods, four miles from Sandringham, yesterday.

On December 12 the King and Queen will pay a five days' visit to Culford Hall, the country seat of Earl Cadogan.

Mr. Balfour arrived at Sandringham yesterday.

SPORTING PAUPER

Horses for £5.

At a meeting of the guardians of the Eton Work

At a meeting of the guardians of the Eton Workhouse yesterday the master reported that he had found £2 7s., and a letter from a Brussels firm about betting transactions, in the possession of a man named Sturgess, who had been an inmate of the house for over twenty years.

One of the guardians stated that Sturgess had a bank-book, and had had as much as £5 on a horse at a time. When he left the workhouse for a few hours he put on a different suit of clothes. The guardian said he sincerely trusted that would be the last day on which the workhouse should harbour a man who could afford to go to Ascot and plank down £5 on a horse.

The action of the workhouse master in taking away from Sturgess the money he found on him for use as a contribution towards his maintenance was approved.

The twentieth annual conversazione of the Old Boys of the Leys School, Cambridge, will be held on Thursday, January 26, at the rooms of the Royal Institute of Painters in Water-colours, Piccadilly.

WELSH CHILDREN PRAYING.

Revival Scenes from Cardiff to Bangor.

Day by day the Welsh revival sweeps from village to village, and so widespread has the movement now become that it is impossible to give even

a list of the meetings held daily.

At Bangor the children are taking part in the meetings, and a boy of six delivered himself of

At Bangor une timeter, and a boy of six delivered himself of an earnest prayer.

At Bethesda, where the women are holding meetings every afternoon, a young man became so framic while a hymn was being sung that he threw

ings every attention, a young han before the rantic while a hymn was being sung that he threw off his coat to pray.

The young ladies assisting Mr. Evan Roberts have many of them left him to assist revivals in other districts. Three-Miss Maggie Davies (twenty-twe) and the state of the state

CHILD BURNED IN A BASSINETTE.

Fire Throws Two Hundred Hands Out of Work.

A child was burned to death under shocking circumstances at Guiness's Dwellings, Page-walk, Old Kent-road, yesterday.

Mary Louise Hartridge, aged five months, was left by her mother in a bassinette, and from some unknown cause the child's clothing caught fire.

The bassinette was immediately enveloped in flames, and before help could arrive the child was burned to death.

The room also caught fire and was gutted.

Two other fatal fires occurred in London, yesterday. A man named James Fenson, aged fity-eight, of 94, Morning-lane, Hackney, and a five-year-old child named Violet Pearcy, of 91, Bolton-road, were so seriously burned that they both died in hospital.

Two hundred hands have been thrown out of work by a destructive fire yesterday at the premises of Messrs. Mallet, Porter, and Dowd, army clothing contractors, in Caledonian-road, King's Cross.

The employes had only just returned from dinner when the alarm was raised, and all escaped safely from the building.

CHAIRS PAINTED BY WHISTLER.

Unique Furniture American Plutocrats Are Anxious To Buy.

At Christic's famous sale-rooms a unique suite of furniture will be offered for sale on December 14,

of furniture will be offered for sale on December 13, and it is expected to realise a very high price.

It consists of a settiee, a pair of armehairs, and six small chairs from the art collection of the late Mr. Wickham Flower. Each has a panel painted with subjects from Christopher Marlowe's poem of "The Passionate Shepherd," by J. McNeill

"The Passionate Shepherd," by J. McNeill Whistler.

The same artist's "Peacock Room," until this year in Mr. Leyland's house at Prince's-gate, was transported bodily to America, having been purchased by Mr. Freer, a well-known Detroit Whistler canthusiast, for a fabulous sum. The same gentleman also acquired for 45,000 Whistler's famous picture, the "Princesse du Pays de la Porcelaine."

INNOCENT MAN'S ORDEAL.

Keeps a Betting Account, and Backs Subjected to the "Indignity of a Bath" in Brixton Gaol.

An illustration was provided before Mr. Justice Grantham and a special jury yesterday of the in-dignities and hardships that beset an innocent pri-

The case was an action brought by Mr. Arthur Thomas Bradley to recover damages from Harrod's Stores, Limited, for malicious prosecution. The defendants had charged Mr. Bradley, who is a packing-case maker, with sending the carman out with duplicate tickets, whereby the Stores said they had been defrauded. At the trial the company stopped the case.

Mr. Bradley's counsel said he was taken to Brixter Cada where he was subjected to the indignity.

Mr. Brattley s counter as subjected to the indignity of a bath and being clothed in a blue suit. He was next remanded on several occasions, and eventually committed for trial.

The hearing was adjourned.

At Totnes County Court yesterday the committee of the Paignton Whit Monday sports obtained a verdict for £36 15s, against six members of Lloyd's who insured the gate against bad weather.

PRINCE OF BURGLARS

Supposed Author of Great Jewel Robberv.

GAGGED COLONEL FAINTS.

"Harry the Duke" is the professional name of one of the three men whom the detectives suspect of committing the Clerkenwell burglary, when jewellery to the value of £4,000 was taken, and Colonel Stockall, the head of the firm, was bound and gagged, and left to survive or die where he was found forty hours later. From Col. Stockall's description there was a

clean-shaven man among the thieves, whose de-scription answers generally to that of the notorious

scription answers generally to that of the notorious "Harry," who was characterised by a detective yesterday as the smartest cracksman in Europe. "The whole affair looks like his ingenious planning," said the officer, "for at least two of the burglars worked with gloves on, so as to prevent their identification by finger-prints. "This device distinctly shows that the men have been in the hands of the police before and knew that their finger marks were included in the album at Scotland Yard.

Always Well Dressed.

"The Duke' always dresses well, has excellent manners, and a very plausible way of talking. He is one of the princes of the profession and works in a marvellous fashion.
"By the establishment of a remarkable system of espionage he knows weeks before of likely 'cribs,' Then he sets his men to work on the preliminary

ictails.

"Instructed by him, for weeks they watch certain establishments until 'the Duke' has every detail of the organisation, methods of business, and so forth before him.

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"Then he himself comes on the scene and carries the thing forward to its finish,

"The most elaborate plans are laid for his safety. He has been seen in Paris, but it is not his usual method to go abroad.

"As a rule, he leaves home and goes into some quiet town in the country for a time. His own stylish house is not many miles from London, and his neighboars no doubt fancy him, I suspect, a prosperous City man. But, elever rogue though he is, we hope to come up with him some day."

The unhappy victim of this astounding robbery, Colonel Stockall, was a little better yesterday, and insisted upon leaving his father's house at Stroud Green and going to the City.

Pathetic Scane.

Pathetic Scene.

On his arrival at the shop—the scene of his terrible forty hours' ordeal—he leaned against the counter, apparently overcome with the exertion of the journey, and still suffering from the effects of his terrible week-end shock.

"Give me some brandy," he said faintly, and almost immediately collapsed. A doctor was summoned, and the Colone! rallied a little, while everyone was amazed that he had reached Clerkenwell without mishap.

without mishap.

Having come to his place of business he refused to go to his home at Westeliff, remaining until evening, and seeing several officials from Scotland

Yard,
Meanwhile, Mr. Stockall, the Colonel's father,
has no definite details as yet of the exact amount of
jewellery stolen. It consists, however, of gold
watches, diamond pendants, diamond rings, gold
keepers, gold chains, loose diamonds, and various
precious stones.

precious stones.

The rough estimate of £4,000 is still considered approximate to the value of the things stolen, and the whole is covered by insurance.

Only One Clue.

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The description of his assailants furnished by Colonel Stockall is as follows:—First: Height 5ft. 8in., aged about thirty-five, clean shaven. Second: Height 5ft. Ilin., aged about thirty-three, fane build, dark moustache. The third man, who struck the blow, was not distinctly seen by Colonel Stockall.

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The police are naturally not very sanguine about making a capture. They recognise the heavy task imposed upon them by the thieves getting so long

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In their possession is only one useless clue—the
silk handkerchief which was thrust into Colonel
Stockall's mouth. The Colonel is unable to say Stockall's mouth. The Col-

CYCLE WAR.

At the Swift Cycle Company meeting yesterday Mr. Harvey du Cros said that they had been accused of having broken an agreement not to bring out an eight-guine machine. He gave the statement an unqualified denial.

While the Swift Company, he said, was quite prepared to meet all fair competition, they would not place on the market a cheap, American, shoddily put-together machine.

The cutting-down policy had been justified by the result.

Kaid Sir Harry Maclean has left Gibraltar for England aboard the Mongolia.

DIVORCE DRAMAS.

Wife Watches Her Husband Through a Window.

BOY AND GIRL WATCH.

Two very strange stories-stranger than you read in tales of fiction invented to be strangewere told in the Divorce Court yesterday. Each story ended with a prosaic decree nisi-

STORY No. The Wife and the Pretty Typist.

Mrs. Elizabeth Jane Womersley was married in 1891, at Poole, in Dorsetshire. She got on excel-lently with her husband, and they came to live at Stamford Hill, London, in Eastbourne-road.

Their married happiness went on until a good-looking typewriter maiden came on the scene, a

looking typewriter maiden came on the scene, a Miss Tubb, who was employed by Mr. Womersley at his office.

Mrs. Womersley dated a marked change in her husband's conduct towards her from Miss Tubb's arrival. After he engaged the fair typist Mr. Womersley lot work to ill-tteating his wife. Once he pinched her arm in the bathroom, and hut her very much. So Mrs. Womersley left home.

Soon after this she heard from a friend something that made her very curions. In order to watch her husband she came and stayed with a Mrs. Taylor, whose house was next door to Mrs. Womersley's old home.

From the dining-room of Mrs. Taylor's house Mrs. Womersley watched and watched.

Door Would Not Open.

Door Would Not Open.

Her watching was rewarded. She saw Mr. Womersley come out of his front door. When he had disappeared, out came Mrs. Womersley, and knocked at the door. There was no answer. She could not open the door.

Could she get in through the dining-room window? Mrs. Womersley tired. The window yielded and Mrs. Womersley climbed into the dining-room that she knew so well.

She at once made for the door. The door was shut. Mrs. Womersley tired to pull it open, but there was somebody pulling on the other side. It was a case of pull wife, pull someone else. There was a stranger in the hall pulling against he wife. Suddenly the door came open. The puller con Suddenly the door came open. The puller con

was a stranger in the nan puning against the wire. Suddenly the door came open. The puller on the other side had fled.

Out into the hall went Mrs. Womersley, and up the stairs. She went straight to her husband's bedroom. Here another pulling match took place, but the opposition was more stubborn. Mrs. Womersley went for help, and came back with Mrs.

Taylor.
Then the bedroom door yielded too. Mrs.
Womersley rushed in, and Mrs. Taylor followed.
Before them in the bedroom stood Miss Tubb.

STORY No. 2: The Much-Eloping Young Man.

The Much-Eloping Young Man.

Mr. William C. Chown, aged twenty-one years, met a young lady named Ellen Louise, aged nineteen, at Hastings, in the year 1806. He at once made love to her, and proposed marriage. "Come up to London with me," he said, "and we will be married at a registry office without any of your people knowing anything about it."

Miss Ellen consented, and up to London they went. They were made man and wife at the registry office at Islington.

Then they parted—at the registry office door. Mr. Chown went to Portsmouth, near which town he was learning farming. The new Mrs. Chown returned to Hastings, and to her stepmother's roof.

She consoled herself with the bridegroom' promise that he would get her quarters at Ports

This he did not do. Instead, he came to Hastings, and his wife used to meet him on the

Front.
Suddenly a strange rumour reached her ears.
It was said in St. Leonards that Mr. Chown had become "engaged" to a young lady named Miss

Collingwood.

Mr. Chowa denied this rumour when he was taxed with it on the Front, but in the course of a few days reality became worse than rumour. Mr. Chown had eloped again—this time with Miss Collingwood! They had gone to Colorado!

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IGNORANT DIRECTOR.

in the Hooley Trial.

The Rev. James Harlick, "minister-director" of the Construction Company, whose limited knowledge of company matters surprised the Court on Monday, was further cross-examined yesterday in the Hooley-Lawson trial at the Old Bailey.

From the dock Lawson, by whose side sat Hooley, with a placid expression on his face, plied the witness with questions, Incidentally Lawson stated to the Court that much more work was done by the Construction Company than was shown by the books.

by the books.

Mr. Justice Lawrence: Then that is a very reprehensible state of things, because the books ought to show every transaction.

Drawing fine winess's attention to the "petrol motor-wheel," one of the inventions acquired by the Construction Co., Mr. Harlick said that Mr. Edge had offered Lawson £25,000 for this invention, and illustrations of what Lawson described as a "ten-guinea motor-cat," constructed with this wheel, were laid before the Judge.

Lawson mentioned that he was the inventor of the safety bicycle. "My name appears several times in the Encyclopædia Britannica," he added. Before Mr. Harlick left the box the Judge made a comment on the ignorance of company matters shown by the witness. "It is very wrong of people to become directors and not know anything about things," he said.

to become directors and not know things," he said.

The evidence of another witness, Colonel Josiah Harris, also a former director of the Construction Company, led to the Beck case being mentioned. Colonel Harris knew Mr. Beck in Peru, and saw him there between 1877 and 1881. He was present at the trial to give evidence to that effect.

The trial was adjourned.

VACILLATING HUSBAND.

Self-Confessed Bigamist Tells a Remarkable Story.

A man who states that he has two wives, whom alternately he has lived with, deserted, and returned to again, was before the North London magistrate yesterday.

yesterday.

The prisoner describes himself as George Lennon Rocke, a clerk, of Kentish Town, and has voluntarily confessed to bigamy. In a written statement he says that in August, 1886, he married Elizabeth Powell, at Belfast, and lived with her for some years, five children being born.

Then he went away and joined the Navy as a stoker. Eighteen months later he went through the ceremony of marriage at a Manchester registry office with Pheebe Wilson, who, he declares, knew he was a married man.

onice with Friede Wilson, who, he declares, knew he was a married man.

After a quarrel he went back to his wife in Ireland, and lived again with her. Once more they parted, and he went back to Wilson, who threatened to give him into custody.

The magistrate ordered a remand.

BRIGAND IN A COTTAGE.

Reservist's Cowardly Assault on a Lonely Woman.

While alone in her house with her baby, Mrs. Carter, living at Binstead, was visited by Charles Bright, reservist, who excused himself for entering

Bright, reservist, who excused himself for entering the cottage by saying that an accident had befallen Mrs. Carter's husband at Borden Camp. He then attacked the woman, knocking her down, and attempting to strangle her with a handkeechief, causing blood to flow from her mouth.

"Give me all the money you have in the house," said her assailant, "or I will kill you." The help-less woman gave him #3, with which he made off. Two days later he was arrested in Whitechapel, and at Alton yesterday was identified by Mrs. Carter and remanded by the magistrates on a charge of attempted murder. of attempted murder

STRUGGLE WITH A LUNATIC.

Describing at Marylebone Police Court yesterday a desperate encounter which he had with a lunatic, Constable Dean, of the S Division, saidthat as he was passing along George-street, Hampstead-road, a man hailed him excitedly from a second-floor window.

The constable went upstairs and found the man gesticulating wildly and declaring that there was a plot to murder him. When the officer tried to calm him the lunatic bolted downstairs with a lighted candle in his hand. A long chase as far as Hampstead-road ended, only after a fierce struggle, in the man's capture with a knife in his hand.

The prisoner, a Belgian named Alphonse Marquet, was sent for trial to be dealt with as a criminal lunatic.

An Ashton-under-Lyne telegram states that Mr. Sam Woods, of Glossop, is being prominently mentioned as a Conservative candidate for the Stalybridge seat, vacant through the death of Lord

WATT-BEAUCHAMP CASE.

for a New Trial.

Another was added vesterday to the series of lawsuits in which Mrs. Hugh Watt, her divorced husband, and Lady Violet Beauchamp have figured so

In the House of Lords, before the Lord Chancellor and Lords Davey and Robertson, an application was made for a new trial of the libel action

central and Lores Davey and Robertson, an application was made for a new trial of the libel action as a result of which Lady Violet Beauchamp was ordered to pay 25,000 damages for writing a letter to Mr. Watt, in which she described his wife as "a devil in criminally human form."

Mrs. Watt having since divorced her husband, and Sir Reginald Beauchamp his wife, Lady Violet has now become Mrs. Watt the second.

The action was heard before Mr. Justice Bruce, when damages in the sum of 25,000 were awarded against the defendant. On appeal the Master of the Rolls and Mr. Justice Mathew reduced the plaintiff, ignoring the defendant.

Mr. Rufus Isaacs yesterday sought, on behalf of the second Mrs. Watt, to convince the Lord Chancellor that as the libel was not responsible for the husband leaving Mrs. Watt for the other lady, and was published to no one but the husband by Lady Violet, the damages were excessive, and the Judge and jury were carried away by sympathy for Mrs. Watt.

The case was adjourned.

WINE SHOP MYSTERY.

Arrests in London Follow a Tragedy Near Paris.

Two foreigners have been arrested in London on suspicion of having been concerned in a mysterious crime committed in France early in

At Bow-street yesterday Anatole Paul Clairé, alias Jules Decressond, who denied the charge when apprehended in Manette-street, Soho, on

when apprehended in Manette-street, Soho, on Monday evening, was remanded.

Some days ago a man named Charles Hoffman was before the magistrate on the same charge.

The victims of the murder are said to be a Mme. Kiffer, aged seventy-three, who carried on business as a wine merchant near Paris, and her female servant, sixty years old.

On January 15 Mme. Kiffer went to bed at the usual hour, and next morning she was found sitting in a chair quite. dead. A bootlace was tied tightly round her neck.

The old servant's dead body was also found, her head having been nearly severed from her body.

LOVE AND MONEY.

Courtship Conducted on Business Prin ciples Ends in Renunciation.

Love and money-mainly money-figured largely in a breach of promise case at Birmingham vester day, in which Miss Annie Langley sued Francis William Lycett, a sausage-skin maker, for £250 damages.

It was stated that Miss Langley's father had lend

It was stated that Miss Langley's father had lent Mr. Lycett, then a lowly railway clerk, £230 to start business in sausage skins.

For some considerable time no mention was made of marriage till the girl fell ill. Then Mr. Lycett wanted to put up the banns, and appealed for a further loan of £60.

They had courted eight years, when, to everybody's surprise, the swain suddenly ceased to visit his sweetheart. Soon afterwards she heard he was married to a widow with means.

married to a widow with means.

The jury awarded Miss Langley £175 and costs.

£3.000 AND A SECRET.

In the King's Bench Division yesterday Mr. George Simeon Clayton, a Bristol brewer, was awarded 42,000 damages and costs against Mr. Joseph Rowlands, managing director of Holbrook's Worcester Sauce Company.

Mr. Clayton alleged a breach of agreement on the part of defendant to form a company in the United States to brew and sell non-alcoholic drinks

made by a secret process.

As his Lordship could not permit cross-examination with reference to the secrecy of the process,

Mr. Lush, counsel for the defendant, withdrew from

"I AM A RUINED MAN NOW."

Emil Kransz, who was pursued by detectives along the Embankment and arrested at De Keyser's Hotel on Monday evening, appeared yesterday at Bow-street for extradition on a charge of embezzlement in Austro-Hungary.

Detective-Inspector Bartley said that Kransz said at the station: "I am a ruined man now."

Leicester's unemployed committee, after careful investigation, reports that 2,000 children go to school every day without breakfast.

HYPOCRITE'S FRAUDS.

Judge Makes Strong Comments House of Lords Hears Application Welsh Religious Leader Embezzles £15,000.

RUINED INVESTORS.

Until quite recently David Shepherd, who was at Cardiff, yesterday, sentenced to five years' penal servitude for embezzlement, had been regarded as a man of unimpeachable character.

He had for long taken a prominent place in business and social affairs, devoting much of his time to philanthropic movements. For many years he had been a leading figure in Nonconformist

circles.

In passing sentence, Mr. Justice Bray pointed out that it was only by this apparent respectability that Shepherd had been able to commit the frauds. No auditor would have passed his accounts but for the absolute confidence reposed in him at

Cardiff.

Shepherd's defalcations amount to the huge sum of £15,000, and practically spell ruin for a number of hard-working people, who had implicit confidence in him and invested their savings in one or other of two local Starr Bowkett Building Societies, of which he was secretary. His embezzlements from these funds exceed £85,000. These, however, did not come to light at first, but only after he had, to the amazement of his friends, confessed that he was £6,000 short in his accounts as chairman of the Cardiff Intermediate Education Board. He only took this step when concealment was no longer possible.

How these huge sums were expended at present remains a mystery.

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Shepherd was by profession a chartered accoun-tant, but his energies were applied to a host of other enterprises. He was one of the founders and secretary of the Cardiff Free Church Council, secre-

secretary of the Cardiff ree Church Council, secre-tary to many societies, an ardent temperance worker, and Sunday school superintendent.

The character which he bore for generosity is now shown to have been obtained at the expense of other people's money. On Cardiff platforms he was a familiar figure, frequently offering up prayer

PIQUED POLITICIANS.

Two Local Celebrities Bring Their Quarrel to the Courts.

Mr. Robert Gilderson is an Ilford celebrity, famed in local politics. Mr. Frederick James Philpot is equally famous. Both have sat with credit on the local School Board.
Yesterday they met in Court No. 3 King's Bench as defendant and plaintiff respectively in an action for libel, which appeared in the "Ilford Recorder," In a letter to that paper Mr. Gilderson indicated that he was afraid Mr. Philpot would murder him when he left the School Board council chamber. He also stated his opinion that Mr. Philpot had been guilty of jobberty when chairman of the Works Committee.

In the witness-box Mr. Philpot gave a graphic description of a dialogue he had with Mr. Gilderson in the streets of Ilford after one of the elections, when both had been triumphantly returned. This is the dialogue, as repeated by the plaintiff:—
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Mr. Gilderson: I'll teach you now! I'm a Mr. Philpot: What has upset you, Mr. Gilder-

on.

Mr. Gilderson: You dirty dog. You ought to be chucked into the Roding!

"What is the Roding?" asked counsel.

Mr. Philpot: It is a stinking river of Hiord.

Mr. Justice Lawrance asked whether Christians were rare in Hiord, and Afr. Philpot was understood to murmur "I think so."

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"GLUTTON FOR BABIES."

A young woman complained at the West London Police Court yesterday that her sister, to whom she had entrusted the care of her child for a time, refused to give it up as she had taken a fancy to it. The sister had seven children of her own.

Mr. Lane: Good gracious, she must be a perfect glutton for babies. If you can't pounce on the child when it is in its perambulator, you must go to the High Court and apply for a writ of habeas corpus, and I suppose you don't understand that.

Applicant: No, sir.



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AND COUNTRY. IN BRIEF FROM TOWN NEWS

The King has promised to visit Manchester in the spring to open the new Ship Canal dock.

Bermondsey Borough Council has been fined through a horsekeeper £3 8s. for working a lame horse.

Over ANS Leicester children are sent to school breakfastless, and the Citizens' Aid Society is pro-viding bread and milk on their arrival.

After twenty years' foreign service the 1st Battalion of the Buffs is due at Southampton on Satur-

INTERESTING APPOINTMENT.

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The Rev, Stephen Gladstone, son of the late
Mr, W. E. Gladstone, and formerly for many years
vicer of Hawarden, is to proceed to the important
living of Barrowby, in the diocese of Lincoln.

This preferment has been presented him at the
hands of the Duke of Devonshire, the patron.

DOCTOR'S IMPORTANCE.

In the eyes of the inmates, the doctor of the Stockport Workhouse is now the most important

person.

The guardians have decided that beer shall be allowed at the Christmas dinner, but have added a proviso that it shall be subject in each case to the approval of the medical officer.

WHERE TENEMENTS ABOUND.

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Burnley is unfortunate in having a larger proportion of one-roomed tenements than any other town in England, states the Rev. R. M. Julian.

Over one thousand persons live thus in his town, which is in excess of the number in the three adjacent towns of Oldham, Bolton, and Blackburn put together.

REGGAR'S CHRISTMASTIDE.

On Patrick Malley being brought before the Dewsbury-magistrates for begging, the superint tendent made the naive request that as he was at old offender he might be kept in gaol over Christ

This suggestion was acted on by a month's imprisonment being awarded.

PRIZES FOR A PAVILION.

Seaside resorts everywhere are finding it necessary to increase their attractions to visitors in the face of growing competition.

Bridlington is the latest place to decide on a concert pavilion and café, and prizes of 85 and 15 guineas are offered for designs suitable for a seating capacity of 2,500 at a total cost of £9,000.

KILLED BY MILK BOMB.

Liverpool housewives are warned that it is dan-perous to warm the sterilised milk provided by the corporation without removing the stopper from the bottle.

bottle.

Elizabeth Langley, aged sixty-four, who, omitting this precaution, placed a bottle in the oven has died from the effects of the consequent ex-

GOG ORDERS LEMONADE

Although temperance principles in the City have not affected the Corporation hospitality at the Guildhall, a commencement has been made at the workhouse.

workhouse.

This year, instead of the usual five kilderkins of small ale, thirty-six dozen siphons of lemonade have been ordered to cool the paupers' Christmas puddings.

ANALYST DECRIED.

Viscount Hampden, presiding at the final shareholders' meeting of the Lambeth Waterworks Company, said it was very funny to notice that since
the company's affairs had been transferred to the
Water Board the Government analyst had had
nothing but good to say of the water supplied.

The water now possessed all merit, whereas
formerly when the company supplied it it was full
of demerit, and yet it was precisely the same
article that was being supplied.

TELEPHONE USES.

When George Day, of Medway-street, Birken-head, attempted to get food and lodging from Mrs. Laura Walley at Lisceard he reckoned without the

telephone. He stated he had got employment at the elec-tricity works, but Mrs. Walley, making an excuse to leave the house, rang up the manager, and, finding his statement incorrect, promptly rang up the police. He has been sentenced to a month's imprison-

AUSTRALIAN BAD TRADE.

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For the first time since the formation of the company, the Houlder Line, Limited, has failed to distribute a dividend.

Decreased meat shipment from Australia was given by the chairman at the meeting yesterday as the cause of their reduced earnings.

In 1899 the exports of frozen beef and mutton from Australia to the United Kingdom amounted to 54,800 tons; in the year 1900 this quantity was reduced to 14,500 tons; and until the effect of the drought had passed away and Australia resumed its normal producing power, they would not be able to attain results like those reached in former years.

To-morrow at Blagdon will take place the funeral of the late Lord Ridley.

During the present year Tottenham hooligans have broken 1,500 panes of glass in the stree

His Majesty's torpedo-gunboat Renard, com-pleted in 1891 at a cost of £55,000, has been placed on the non-effective list as unfit for further service.

COMPULSORY TEMPERANCE.

Signed by a large number of eminent doctors and professors of medicine, a petition has been forwarded to all the educational authorities in the country asking that hygiene and temperance should be included among the compulsory subjects of

elementary education.

Nearly 15,000 medical practitioners urge "that Nearly 15,000 mental pharmones and the disastrous effects produced by alcoholism on the nation require that the subject of temperance be given a prominent position in every syllabus of teaching in hygiene and elementary physiology."

FEATHERED MENU.

Determined to dine up to their ideals, the members of the Mansfield Fanciers' Association allowed nothing to be placed before them at their annual dinner but the feathered tribe.

The menu included wild goose, Indian game, roast guines fowl, heron, wild coots, moorhens, and golden plover, several dishes being contributed by the Duke of Portland.

CRIME IN YORKSHIRE.

Owing to the unexpectedly large amount of crime to be tried at the York Assizes in the time allotted, commencing to-day, it has been found necessary (Lat two Courts should sit.

A second Court will, therefore, be held, and Mr. Milvain, K.C., M.P., will act as Commissioner to assist Mr. Justice Darling.

SAVED FROM THE GOODWINS.

It is but seldom that a ship reaches port after pending over thirty hours on the treacherous

Goodwin quicksands.

The Italian barque Pinin has, however, achieved this good fortune after sacrificing her cargo, and has been towed into the Downs.

WITLOOF CHICORY.

The first lot of witloof chicory of the season is now on sale.

The blanched leaves of the heads of this vegetable make a favourite winter salad.

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with them all.

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Something entirely new in Christman Presenth this year is the Ministure. Until this season the high price asked for these cherished ornaments has excluded them from the list of popular Yulctide Gifts. If you wish to make sure of securing one of the "Dally Mirror "Miniatures as a Christman Gift, you should send off immediately. Don't wait until the Christmas was considered to the control of the

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In the Mersey yesterday the steamers Tuna and McDermit were in collision, the former being badly

Mr. Choate, the American Ambassador, who has een confined to the house for a few days through slight chill, is stated to be decidedly better.

In connection with the Atlantic rate war the outstanding difficulty regarding steerage fares has not been settled, and circulars to agents will be

Shipyard labourers on the north-east coast have agreed to the reduction in wages proposed by the employers, and hopes are entertained that the skilled artisums will do likewise.

CLYDE SHIPBUILDING ACTIVE.

Shipbuilding continues fairly active on the Clyde. During November seventeen steamers, totalling in all 25,000 tons, have been launched, while in the same period orders have been booked for about forty thousand tons.

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The new work consists mostly of large cargo

DOVER HARBOUR PROGRESS.

With the laying yesterday of the last block of the Admiralty Pier extension at Dover, the National Harbour of Refuge is half complete. The eastern and western arms now embrace a sheltered stretch of water in which an entire fleet can anchor, but the centre protection has yet to be built.

ANCIENT REVIVAL.

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The Society of Yorkshiremen in London will revive a custom on December 3 which has fallen into dissuetude for 230 years.

This is the preaching of a sermon by a Yorkshire divine at Bow Church, Cheapside. Dr. Wilberforce, Bishop of Chichester, who is himself a Yorkshireman, will officiate.

DIET OF TINNED SALMON.

Referring to the importance of cookery, in a lecture given at the Oldham Technical Schools, Professor Hopkinson said the present generation could not be entirely brought up on tinned salmon and pickled onions.

Many young girls rushed into the marriage state with such an elementary knowledge, however, of cookery that their husbands were frequently driven to this kind of fare in despair of anything more nourishing.

BURNS LECTURESHIP SCHEME.

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The Scottish craze for the national poet has culminated in an effort to establish a Burns Lectureship at one of the Scottish universities.

The amount required is £5,000, and it is proposed to raise this sum among the Burns clubs. It is, however, very doubtful.

The scheme does not meet with the approval of Scottish literary men, as the Burns cult is almost wholly confined to the lower orders and to the everlessening body of exaggerated patriots.

JUDGE'S LONG CAREER.

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Lord Lindley completed his seventy-aixth year yesterday, having been born on November 29, 1828, He was appointed a Judge of the Common of Son May 12, 1875; was rised to the Court of Appeal on November 1, 1881; was created Master of the Rolls on October 25, 1897, in succession to the late Lord Esher; and was appointed a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary in 1900.

He has consequently been a Judge for upwards of twenty-ning years.

of twenty-nine years

STARTLED BY THE BAND.

Those who drive horses and take into the street animals liable to be startled by a school band must

animais fault to be started do so at their own risks against horses has been upheld in the St. Albans County Court, where a builders' merchant sued the headmaster of St. Albans School for £39 15s. damages to a horse

and trap.

Judgment with costs went against the plaintiff, who, as his horse bolted, was held to be guilty of contributory negligence.

BACK TO THE COLOURS.

In consequence of communications from the poor-law authorities throughout the kingdom as to the number of discharged soldiers applying for relief, the War Office has issued an order that men entitled to do so shall re-enlist under Section "D" of the Army Reserve.

This applies to men who have been discharged during the past two years, and who hold a parchment certificate containing a promise to re-enlist if required within two years, or any shorter time from date of discharge.

POLISH ALIENS IN SCOTLAND.

The mining district in and around Motherwell, in the west of Scotland, has during the past few years become a dumping-ground for Polish coal miners, and scarcely a day passes but some act of violence is recorded concerning these undesirables.

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An inquiry has been held into the circumstances of their residence in the west of Scotland, and the facts elicited prove that they are by no means a desirable factor in the population, and should be placed under stricter surveillance.

MAN AGAINST BABOON.

Exciting Struggle with a Gigantic Simian.

A strenuous fight between a large Chakma baboon and his trainer, Mr. Leon Morris, took place at the Hippodrome stables late on Monday evening. The struggle between man and beast lasted over ten minutes, while two of the grooms looked on helplessly.

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"Bigboy," as the animal has been named, is a recent acquisition, having arrived from Hagenbeck's on Friday night. As his name denotes, he is an immensely powerful animal, standing four feet six inches in height and possessing the strength

is an immensely powerful animal, standing four feet six inches in height and possessing the strength of two ordinary men.

When Mr. Morris first experimented with him he proved quite tractable, but Monday's experience revealed him in quite another light.

"At first," said Mr. Morris, "he was quite friendly, and placed both his hands in mine. Then I slowly gripped them, and the fight began without any tedious preliminaries.

"The brute sprang at my face, and I knocked him back with my fist. Then he seized my left leg, ripped my trousers, and buried his teeth in the flesh. The pain was maddening, and for a few moments I felt I was going crazy.

"At last I got a firm grip on the baboon's throat, and bit him in the neck. He let go and howled. I kept the clutch on his throat till the brute became insensible.

"When I brought him to with sal-volatile I held both his hands and looked at him sternly. He raised my right arm in a threatening attitude. Then he cowered at my feet—I had won the fight."

THE CITY.

Afghan Border Problems Depress Markets-A Rally at Close of Business -Copper Shares Dull.

Capit Court, Tuesday Evening.—The stock markets were 'a little inclined to discuss the Afghan border problem this morning, and political possibilities have been accounted by the court of the court of

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Canadian Rails were ragged with Americans. For one thing, although the Grand Trunk monthly statement was crease. This pipe the form of the first pipe the canadian statement was crease. This is unantisfactory. Moreover, though Messra. Speyer Brothers, the big American finance house, are taking a substantial amount of Greetions of the line. Continental bonds, such as the continental bonds, and the continental bonds, and the care future, we the market realised that the guarantee as to capital and interest remains with the Grand Trunk. It is a tax, therefore, on earning powers during the struction period, and the market realised that the guarantee as to capital and interest remains with the Grand Trunk. It is a tax, therefore, on earning powers during the pits and the continent of the contin

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Dividend.—A dividend of 7½ per cent, free of in-come-tax, was declared on all their shares by the Capsu-loid Company, Limited, at the annual meeting of the company, which was held on Saturday, the 20th inst., at the company's offices, 31, Snow-bill, London,

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BLACK-COAT v. DUSTY-COAT.

HE Rev. Stewart Headlam is inclined to be eccentric in his views, but there is a great deal of truth in the remarks he has been making about Mr. John Burns, M.P.
Mr. Burns has aroused Mr. Headlam's ire

Mr. Burns has aroused Mr. Headlam's ire in two ways. He has set his face against people amusing themselves in the public parks on Sundays by playing cricket or bowls and dancing. He is also called upon by Mr. Headlam to explain why he does not take up the case of London County Council clerks, who (according to Mr. Headlam) have to work at certain seasons for over eleven hours a day, and get nothing extra for their long hours save a shilling for tea.

We may feel quite sure that if "working men" were made to do "overtime" without overtime pay Mr. Burns would be on the rampage at once. The same treatment meted out to clerks leaves him cold. Yet clerks on the whole have a much harder life than working men.

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Their labour is quite as exhausting. Their hours are usually longer. Demands are made upon their scanty purses, from which the working man is entirely free. They are forced by their position and the prevailing false idea of "respectability" to keep up appearances. They must not take their midday meal about with them in red handkerchiefs and tin cans. They cannot afford to neglect their dress. They pay taxes from which His Majesty the Day Labourer is exempt.

It would be not merely fairer, but also more politic, for the leaders of the Labour Movement to think sometimes of the black-coated workers, and not solely of those who bear the evidences of their toil upon their costumes. In point of numbers and voting strength the clerkly element in the community is quite as large as the day labouring element, and it is more open to new ideas. Also, it includes an enormous number of women, whom no party in politics can nowadays afford to neglect.

If the Labour Movement succeeds in separating the interests of the man with the pen and the man with the pick, the Labour Movement is bound to remain sterile, impotent, ineffective, and unreal. A broader view of the word "labour" is required. It is only by uniting all the Workers in the land that any measures can be taken against the Drones.

WOMEN AT THE BAR.

Is it possible for women to make good law

Is it possible for women to make good lawyers? In England we have answered the question for them by deciding that they shall not
even try. In France they are allowed to try,
and one of them, a certain Mile. Guilhaud, has
just done so with considerable success. Mile.
Guilhaud reduced her jury to tears, and got her
client—a girl guilty of child-murder—triumphantly acquitted.

But we are not convinced by the case of Mile.
Guilhaud. In France, as everybody knows
who followed the Dreyfus case, an advocate
can appeal to a jury's feelings. He is allowed
to use perfervid eloquence, to shake with
sobs, to storm and wail and stifle with his
grief. Then the jury, also shaking with sobs,
fling themselves out of court, fall upon one
another's necks, and rush back, still choking
with emotion, to deliver an emphatic verdict
of "Not Guilty."

In England the woman lawyer would have

of "Not Guilty."

In England the woman lawyer would have to appeal, not to the heart, but to reason. Women's ways in argument are happily hit off by Dickens in "Our Mutual Friend." Says Mrs. Lammle, in a fierce argument with her husband, "How dare you utter that word to me, sir?" To which Mr. Lammle retorts, "I did not utter it." Whereupon Mrs. Lammle instantly changes her ground with a gloriously inconsequent, "I don't care a bit what you uttered or didn't utter!" Then poor Mr. Lammle gives in.

You cannot convince English jurymen by

You cannot convince English jurymen by storming at them, and arguments like Mrs. Lammle's would leave them equally cold.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

Simplicity is the true guide of Life. We are always wrong when we fight against it.—Maeter-lines.

MORNING'S GOSSIP. THIS

ADY WIMBORNE, the mother of the new Lady Ridley, though socially famous all years ago by her famous letter to the "Times," in which she attacked the practices of the High Church party. Once started, the discussion wavefurious, and one well-known bishop of opposing views christened her "Deborah of Dorset," a name which stuck for a long time. In furtherance of her campaign against ritualism she has founded "The Ladies' League," to which many well-known women belong.

She is still a wonderfully young-looking woman for her age, and it is hard to believe that she is a sister of the late Lord Randolph Churchill, and consequently an aunt of Mr. Winston Churchill. At her country place of Wimborne she still keeps

Kaid Sir Harry Maclean, who is now on his way to London, must be relieved to get a short holiday from his labours and adventures in Morecco. The Kaid, when in Morecco, dresses like a Moor, and looks shown in Morecco, dresses like a Moor, and looks shown in Morecco, dresses like a Moor, and looks shown in More when he was last in London he said to a journalist who begged for an interview, "Ma conscience, mon, I hima time. I'm just banged up wi' work."

The Kaid has been immensely assisted in his en-deavours to make Moroccans behave, and refrain from attacking him, by his daughter. MissMaclean

has the politics of the place at her fingers' ends. Yet there is nothing cunning or political about her appearance. She is a simple, stalwart, Scotch girl. But her influence with the Sultan, it is said, has largely brought about the adoption of English customs and manners in Morocco. And to influence the Sultan, and especially to keep that influence, is to show statesmanship of no mean order.

Miss Violet Wood, who is to be married to-day to Mr. Patrick de Bathe, is an exceedingly pretty girl and the daughter of Mrs. Nicholas, famed in London as a hostess. Miss Wood is not only a pretty girl, but also an exceedingly popular one, and at dances she is always laughingly said to have the pick of all the partners. She is a very keen skater, and a member of Prince's Club. She looks her best when skating or dancing, for she is exceptionally graceful.

That we are to have a new light opera by M. André Messager is good news indeed, and that Miss Evic Green is to appear in it, makes the news all the better. The opera is to be Appeal ("La Pompadour," and the book with a proper of the Apollo, we have a proper of the Apollo, we will be the Apollo, we will be to the Apollo, we will be to the Apollo we have the treat which is in store for us. At the present time M. Messager is artistic director at Covent Garden Opera, but he once filled a very different rôle in life.

Of all the sublished councilions in the world this.

Of all the unlikely occupations in the world this well-known musician started life as clerk to an egg-merchant in the Whitechapel-road. This must be a unique start in life for a celebrated French composer. Naturally he did not stop there long, but ran away to Paris. He gets a good deal of chaff from his friends about it, however. "Never mind," they tell him, "it's far better to have made the acquaintance of eggs before submitting operas to the public than after."

Another conversion by Mr. George Edwardes to

Another conversion by Mr. George Edwardes to the cause of light opera is that of M. Sardou, who has consented to write the book of a new opera which Mr. Edwardes will produce in London. M. Sardou, however, does not turn to opera-writing because he has failed in other things. He is probably the richest dramatist now living, though he began as an impoverished and half-starving student. He has a beautiful house at Marly, innumerable books and works of art, and is now able to smile at life with the slightly sardonic smile which makes him look like M. de Voltaire.

Sir Alfred Scott Guitty, who appears as the car-

smile which makes him look like M. de Voltaire.

Sir Alfred Scott Gatty, who appears as the cartoon in to-day's "Vanity Fair," does so not as the writer of the injmitable coon songs, "De Old Banjo," "De Ring-tail Coon," and so many others, but as Garter Principal King-at-Arms. It is twenty-four years ago now since he came to London to become a member of the College of Arms. In six years he had become the new York Herald —American newspapers should really be more careful in their selection of titles, as "Vanity Fair" remarks—and this year he became the head of the college and a knight. Of his early taste for music they say that his ambition was the piano, while other boys played marbles, so it is not remarkable that he should be accused of being the originator of the coon song, so beloved of the "halls" and barrel-organs.

Germany has certainly expressed its approval of the Crown Prince's financie. The Duchess Cecilie of Mecklenburg-Schwerin has already made herself very popular in her new position. The young Duchess likes travelling, and is at present in the south of France, at Cannes. She travels without show or ceremony. Once, on a pleasure steamer, she got into conversation with some Americans. "I am German, and come from Mecklenburg-Schwerin," was all she told them. They all had tea together, and it was not until it was over that they found out who she was. That evening she asked them to hear some nightingales sing near her hotel. Of course, she was quite a child at the time.

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Miss May Martyn and Miss Dora Hole, who have sprung into notice at the Royalty Theatre and whose photographs appear to-day on page 8, have been each waiting for their chance some time. Both have had a good deal of provincial experience, and Miss Martyn, at any rate, has appeared in London. But no London manager seems to have appreciated the fact that she was an actress out of the common. Now that Sir John Vanbrugh's old comedy has let them show their worth, Miss Martyn and Miss Hole are not likely to be lost sight of.

IN MY GARDEN THIS MORNING.

NOVEMBER 30 .- In thousands of gardens through NOVERBER 30.—In thousands of gardens throughout the country roses are now being planted. Though some will grow well in light soils, the majority prefer a rather heavy loam; if it has a clay subsoil, so much the better.

As a rule it is best to let roses have beds to themselves, Standards, however, look well down the centre of a mixed border. Grown singly in tiny beds on the lawn they are also attractive. Climbing varieties must not be forgotten. Many a wall and rustic arch can be clothed with the Crimson Rambler and Gloire de Dijon. These are varieties easy to grow.

He who ceases to kneel before the Divine wisdom soon talks superciliously of the human, and ends by worshipping his own.—Dr. Martineau.

RUSSIA STILL REFUSES TO TAKE THE JAPANESE SERIOUSLY



A cartoon from a St. Petersburg paper, the "Razvietchenie," suggesting that the Japanese are short of troops at Port Arthur and are reduced to putting up scare-crows to intimidate the garrison.

A MAN OF THE MOMENT.

Earl Grey.

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To-MORROW he starts to take up his new duties as Governor-General of Canada, much to the joy of the Canadians, and the regret of England which he is leaving, for, though it is good to think that such a capable man is to represent the Empire in the Dominion, he leaves a lot of work behind him.

At home his work has been very varied. He tried to introduce co-operation between landlord and tenants on his estates, but the result, though instructive, was not a success. Another of his activities is the Public-house Trust, also a cooperative movement.

Agriculture has always been his chief occupation, and he will be able to talk to the farmers of the Dominion in language they understand, and be fully in touch with their business in life. In character and appearance he reminds one of an Elizabethan worthy. He might have sailed the Spanish Main. There is a free and daring, almost reckless, spirit of enthusiasm about him. His very presence, with his alert eye, responsive smile, and rapid movements remind one of the romantic borderland, of breezy downs, and sunny seas.

In appearance he is a tall, slight, dark man, with a thoughtful, intelligent face. The forchead is high and massive, and seems even more so than it really is owing his baldness.

His serious tasks are shared by Lady Grey, and both of them are seldom to be seen in London, for "smart" society has no attractions for them. Lord Grey's name will be best remembered in history by his work in South Africa, where as administrator of Rhodesian edid much to further the Imperial cause.

He is not a conventional man, in the ordinary social conception of the term, and Rhodesjans even complained that he was too democratic for his post. The Canadians are not likely to think so.

He is a lucky man, for at the age of fifty-three he has the heart of a boy with the brain of a man.

THE WORLD'S HUMOUR.

Wit from Two Hemispheres.

Farmer's Wife: Why have you left that piece of steak I sent out for you?

Tramp (indignantly): I didn't ask for work, ma'am; I asked for something to eat.—"Lustiger Blatter" (German).

"You don't want to go into Parliament, then?"
"Oh, no. When I want amusement of that kind, I find quite enough in the parrot-house at the Zoo."—"Journal Amusant" (Paris).

"Why did the congregation hurry out so sud-denly after the benediction?"
"The sexton makes them leave their umbrellas in the vestibule, and those who get out late haven't much of a choice."—"Cleveland Plain Dealer."

Employer: If we are to retain your services, Mr. Lambkin, you must take more care of your appearance. You look as if you haven't shaved for a

week. Clérk: But, sir, I am growing a beard. Employer: That is no excuse. You must do that sort of thing out of business hours.—" Birming-ham Pictorial and Dart."

The Vegetarian Union are about to become threatening. The members have decided to organise a house-to-house visitation for the purpose of arousing interest in reformed cooking. As matters stand at present, cooking resolves itself into making both ends meat. The reformed system would make both ends vegetable.—"The Sun."

"Don't feel so cut up about it, Mr. Skemer," said Miss Roxley, after rejecting him, "Tm not the first girl you ever loved, nor, I venture to say, am I likely to be the last." "No," he sighed disconsolately, "but you're the richest."—"Philadelphia Public Ledger,"



JOYS AND SORROWS OF WINTER.

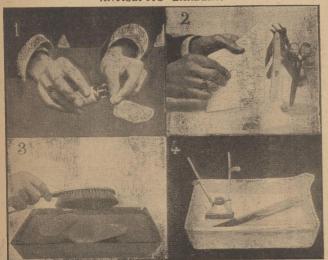


Another snapshot of tobogganing at Buxton, showing the fun at the finish. A mound of snow brings the toboggan to a stop, and often it capsizes.



This shows the other side of the winter picture. The snow and frost, these men say, have thrown them out of employment, so they tramp the streets with an organ in order to make a few coppers for their wives and families.

ANTISEPTIC BARBERS.



The London County Council are introducing measures to ensure the cleanliness of barbers' shops. Our pictures show the way their instruments will be cleansed. (1.) A chemical preparation to be used instead of the old alum block which was used to heal cuts of all-comers. (2.) Clean paper to wipe the razor, Scissors, shaving brush, etc., cleansed in disinfectants. (3.) All brushes to be washed in an antiseptic. (4.) Clippers and combs to be washed in the same way.

TODAYS NEW

MISS DORA HOLE,



Who makes so successful an appearance in Vanbrugh's "The Confederacy," at the Royalty,

MISS MAY MARTYN.



Another charming actress, who does much to ensure the success of "The Confederacy," as played by the members of the Mermaid Society.

BRAVE TELEGRAPH BOY,



Athert Peter Reddecliffe, who saved two boys from drowning in the Surrey Canal at Islington and was complimented by Lord Stanley, the Postmaster-General, for his gallant action,

TO-DAY'S



Mr. Patrick de Bathe, the son of

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It is reported that a scheme is on which extends from the Commer this co

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G AT ST. PAUL'S, KNIGHTSBRIDGE.





e, Bart., and brother-in-law of Mrs. Langtry, is to be married at St. Paul's, Knightset Wood, the daughter of Mrs. Nicholas Wood.—(Langfier.)

OR LONDON.



railway over the Regent's Canal, dington. Our picture shows how, ssfully,

BABTIST, THE HEAD WALKER,



Who walks from his home in Berlin to the Winter Garden to disprove the statement that his performance is a fraud.

A "FIRST AID" DOG.



Officer of the German Army Medical Corps training a young dog to render first aid to the wounded on the battlefield.

RUSSIAN-RESERVISTS ATTACKING-THEIR-OFFICERS



Although Russia is sore pressed by the Japanese, her home troubles are more trying. The Russians have great difficulty in obtaining recruits, and in many places reservists mutiny against being dragged from their homes to fight in a war in which they take no interest. Our picture was drawn by Mr. Caton Woodville.

VISCOUNT RIDLEY.



Who has just died suddenly at Blagdon, Northumberland. He was considered "the safe man" of his party, and was a merciful Home Secretary.—
(Russell.)

ALMOST HUMAN GOOSE.



This clever goose is to be seen at The Dun Horse, Shoreditch. It drinks a quart of stout a day, eats bread and cheese, and to the tune of "Down South" can give a very creditable cloge dance.

A QUICK GLANCE AT THE WEEK'S BOOKS.

What to Order and What to Avoid at the Library for the Long Winter Evenings.

APROWS OF FORTUNE.

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By Algeron Gissing. Arrowsnith. 6s.

Story of a strong-minded—perhaps obstinate would be a truer description—girl, who reopens a family fend and suffers in consequence. The sufferings involve adventures, kidnapping, and other things. The only trouble is that the author does not say when it all takes place. For the first few chapters one only knows that it takes place since the time of James II., for someone finds a coin of that period. Later one is able to fix it somewhat nearer by a reference to Gretina Green. Why this mystery on the author's part?

LINKS OF LOVE.

By Dacre Hindle, John Long. 6s.
Rather an unclean book. The action takes place at a Riviera hotel, and is all built up round episodes which a decent man would try and hide from the womenfolk of his family circle. Quite the most estimable male charactee is a spy, who is selling both sides, and the only feminine character who is not frankly immoral plays the smallest part of all, the actors. It is rather comforting to find signs here and there that the writer is really ignorant of the social class of which he writes.

THE FIGHT. By Sybil Creed. Blackwood. 6s.

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The fight is a moral one. The girl brought up, if not actually in, at least very near, the gutter, falls in love with a doctor with whom she comes in contact as a nurse after fighting her way up the ladder. He, a man hitherto totally given up to his profession, is swept from his habitual calm by his passion for her, and tries to persuade her to come to him. She resists—the fight of the title. It is a good book except that her character is improbable, but then, for that matter, if she were an ordinary character; she would not be so well worth drawing. The book is certainly dramatic. The death of the girl's mether at the moment of her surrender is so simply

The Judge's Secret.

By ANDREW LORING. Author of "Mr. Smith of England."

FAMOUS FIGHTERS OF THE FLEET.

By Edward Fraser. Macmillan. 6s.

A new departure in national history. It tells the stories of the most famous battleships of the old days, ships whose names are passed down to our present navy. The "fighting Temeraire," the Rodney, the Formidable, all fight their battles over again, and even the plucky little Condor attacks the forts at Alexandria once more. A few more books of the kind would be a sound addition to our history as a naval power.

MORGANATIC.

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By Max Nordau. Chatto and Windux. 6s.
Rather long, but quite readable. The author of "Degeneration" and "Conventional Lies of Our Civilisation" continues his task of ridiculing the weaknesses of modern society. He shows us, with the cheerful cynicism peculiar to him, how exhausting is the struggle for social position amongst those who are not born to it, and how that nosition, when secured, is really not worth.

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Anyone who is familiar with the "great world" in Paris will have no difficulty in recognising the originals of some of Dr. Nordau's characters, though they will be in no great hurry to recognise

BENBONUNA.

By Robert Bruce. John Long. 6s.

A tale of the Australian bush in the ""fifties," in which all the traditional features of such a story take their accustomed place. The "Tenderfoot" hero even fulfils the essential so thoroughly as to ride the famous buckjumper, known as Odd Trick on this occasion, and so win the admiration of the crowd. Black trackers, sheep, kangaroo-hounds, emus, all do their part to make up a book which is like a refreshing glimpse of the literature of ten years ago.

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By T. W. Speight. Digby, Long, and Co. 6s.

The ruby is certainly clestial, for it appears in the most dramatic manner out of the heavens, embedded in the centre of an aerolite, and as dimmatically disappears, but not until it has been valued and submitted to an expert. A rich young man who pretends to be poor so that he may make a successful attack on the heart of a girl who does not like idle men, mysterious apparitions, a double murder, further jewels of mere earthly origin, and similar complications are woven round the loss and eventual recovery of the ruby.

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"The World & His Wife."

so ready to do her part in stretching out a hand to this prodigal. She was thinking of another. She was thinking, too, of a little bargain which she hoped to make with Rosamond. If her sister-in-law was so willing and so ready at the request of Mrs. La Grange to help the latter's brother, why might not that kindly heart of Rosamond be made to beat with sympathy for Hugh Mordaunt? If Rosamond could be induced to interest herself in him, too, he might even yet be turned from his reckless course. And he would never know—nobody but Rosamondi need ever know—that she.

CHAPTER XXIX.

"She Loves Him."

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Gertrude Gascoyne turned after parting from Richard Deverill, and slowly retraced her steps. She was very glad that she had met him. What seemed to her an unreserved endorsement of her course in regard to Harold Somerton gave her a stronger determination to help Rosamond in helping him.

She inferred some things from what he had not said, and these inferences gave her additional eagerness to aid Rosamond in her kindly action. She was certain that if Someton had been a sheep whose coat was so very black that a girl ought, the content of the course in regard to represence at the dinner of the world have frankly told her agirl to attempt foolish or impossible. Now she felt absolutely safe and reassured. Her presence at the dinner at the sister-in-law's that hight had the sanction of Richard Deverill, a man of the world, a man of experience, an old friend of her brother, an old family associate.

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From her point of view, except that no conviction for crime lay behind him, Hugh Mordaunt was about in the same position as Somerton.

All the proud, resolute determination of young womanhood had been vainly centred on the effort to kill her love for one who had treated ther with an almost contemptuous indifference. Her efforts had proved entirely unavailing. She could not escape thoughts of him, and every day became more and more wretches, that she flung hereaf arteauty into every character on the effort to kill her love for one who had treated ther with an almost contemptuous indifference. He

more wretched.
It was to get rid of herself, of her misery, of such thoughts as these, that she flung herself ardently into every chance that came her way to do some good to others. The appeal of her sister-in-law had thus come to her at this juncture with a peculiar force. One may understand now why she was

THE POOR.

LAST NIGHT'S PLAY.

"The Taming of the Shrew" at the Adelphi Theatre.

A FEAST OF FUN.

Shakespeare bequeathed many valuable hints to humanity. Even the modern man, who finds out too late that, instead of being wedded to a meek-eyed maid, he is tied to a malcontented minx, might do worse than study the means employed by Petruchio, in "The Taming of the Shrew," to tame the headstrong spirit of his shrewish wife. Being kept short of food, having a whip cracked about



Mr. Oscar Asche as Petruchio.

her, and being perpetually upbraided before others for shortcomings and defects, might have as good an effect upon a shrewish wife of to-day as it did upon the swarthy Katharina.

Petruchio had one advantage. Before he begun courting the lady's affections—if, indeed, his ill-received efforts at love-making could be graced by such a name—he fully understood that his unwilling bride was a veritable vizer. However, he succeeded in breaking down the barriers of her

pride and devilment, and you can see how he did it every evening at the Adelphi Theatre, which ought to be filled by lovers of laughter for a long time to

many people who saw last evening's first performance were puzzled to know what connection the first scene, the "Induction," had with the rest of the play. Characters and scene are different in each piece. In the Induction the dress is Elizabethan, while in the play the characters are moditive all trailinns. Many people who saw last evening's first perform

No one, however, can complain of the inclusion of what is really a laughable curtain-raiser. The



Mies Lily Brayton plays the virago with great vigour.

part of the drunken tinker, who wakes up to find himself in a luxurious nobleman's bed-chamber, wearing a nightgown of exquisite design and material, and being addressed by half a dozen servants as "My lord," affords Mr. Oscar Asche an opportunity for a most amusing piece of broad comedy acting.

In the play itself Mr. Asche is equally good. He makes Petruchio a good-humoured, sensible, well-bried man, pretending for a purpose to be a violent, ungovernable martinet. Thus he does not carry the violence too far. There is a twinkle in his eye all the time

In Miss Brayton's Katharina, on the other hand, there is a shade too much of the vixen and not quite

enough of the charming woman who won Petruchio's love. Miss Brayton can conquer by charm whenever she pleases, so one may hope she will tone down her shrewishness just a little when

will tone down her shrewishness just a little when its excess is pointed out. She certainly plaps with great energy, and with a hold upon her audience which came as something of a surprise.

The company is excellent all round, and the piece is beautifully presented; while Mr. Noel Johnson's music adds a pleasure of the ear to a performance which delights the eye, satisfies the intellect, and provides a full feast of such hearty merriment as is especially associated with Christmas and holiday time.

THROUGH THE "MIRROR."

"EXCEEDINGLY BRITISH."

The great jewellery robbery in Clerkenwell has been described by some of the newspapers as "exceedingly American."

There is one consolation for Englishmen, however, in the fact that two features of the outrage

were peculiarly British of the Stockall did his best to persuade his customers to go somewhere else to buy their jewellery (a peculiar trait of the British tradesman), even giving them the names of rival

SUNDAY AMUSEMENT.

"Watchman" seems to think that recreation on

"Watchman" seems to think that recreation on Sunday is wrong.

Should he not remember that to those who are very hard at work during the week recreation is rest, and be more charitable to his fellow-creatures? D. Z. BEAUMONT.

Greystoke, Upper Norwood.

ms. The second British feature is that the watchman who was supposed to visit the jewellery-shop on Sunday to see that all was right, did not show up.

VISITING YANKEE.

ADOLF BECK AND ROGER TICHBORNE.

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The Beck case is a strong argument in favour of those who believe that the Tichborne claimant was the man he claimed to be.

Beck said he was not Smith. The law said he was. He has proved the law to be wrong.

The Claimant said he was Tichborne. The law said he was not. Is it not probable the law was wrong in his case as well as Beck's?

Even the Tichborne family believed that the Claimant was Sir Roger.

That always settled the question for me.

St. Leonards-on-Sca. Ludovic Risley.

Mr. Risley must allow us to correct him. The Tiethborne family did not accept the Claimant. The Downger Lady Tichborne was the only one who did. No one else who had ever seen or known Sir Roger would admit Orton's claim.— En. Daily Mirror.]

"Daily Mirror" His Advice. ANOTHER BATCH OF LETTERS.

An Authority on Distress Gives the

THE PROBLEM OF

That there are plenty of people willing to help the poor in this bitter weather is perfectly clear. The letters which the Daily Mirror continues to receive every day in large Mirror continues to receive every day in large numbers prove it. The fact that two recent cases brought to light in the police courts have been instantly relieved by public subscription proves it. The only difficulty is to bring together those who want and those who

bring together those who want and those who are willing to give help.

Another difficulty is to decide what lines charity shall go upon. The solution of this problem should be assisted by the following letter from Commissioner Nicol, of the Salvation Army, written on behalf of Mr. Bramwell Booth, to whom we addressed an inquiry yesterday:—

To the Editor of the Daily Mirror.

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Mr. Bramwell Booth has, as you have seen, stated that special measures are justifiable in dealing with the special conditions amongst the poor in London at present. You ask me what those measures are.

I reply, let the children of the poor be approached first. Let no poor child, if it can possibly be helped, go out in the morning without a breakfast—a bowl of soup, some well-sweetened coffee, or a piece of bread.

Then, let the children be supplied with boots, and let boots and food be supplied, except in extenne cases, at relief prices. So much for the children.

Now, as to the relief of the adult poor. Men

children. Mon, as to the relief of the adult poor. Men with empty stomachs are a danger to society: their thoughts turn to crime when they are starving. To turn them away from crime, to give them another lease of life in their search for work, is to do society a service. That the Salvation Army professes to do, and that, in spite of theorists, it as to the relief of the adult poor. Men

does.

Immediate relief in the form of a dinner or a breakfast—that is the practical measure we advocate to readers of the Daily Mirror.

(Signed) ALEX. M. NICOL, COMMISSIONER.

The boot question is already in course of solution by our contemporary, the "Evening News." If you have not yet contributed to their fund, do so at once. Now for some of the latest suggestions that have reached us for attacking the other branches of the problem :

WHAT ABOUT CHRISTIANITY?

The fact that so many people can argue about the advisability of being led by pity in the present crisis of cold and misery, shows how the old lessons of religion are unlearnt.

Let me suggest a problem for these controversialists. Instead of "Do Miracles Happen?" let us wonder "What Has Become of Christianity." Esher.

AN OLD LADY.

DOGS AND MEN.

I know of an American lady who, in the midst of cold and hunger like that around us now, set about baving a silver coffin made for her dog. At the comer of the street, the night the dog was buried, a man and woman starved to death.

At least, if the rich cannot destroy poverty, let them not accentuate the cruelty of it in that barbarous fashion.

Leinstensure, W.

Leinster-square, W.

EGOISM IN DISGUISE.

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The argument of those who assert that philanthropy is "useless," simply because it cannot abolish poverty allogether, is the sophistical argument of egoists.

If, as you pass a starving child, you refrain from relieving it for some "economic" reason, you are cheating your conscience by humbug. The true guide here is not political economy, but pity.

Heywood, Lanes. ALICE STANLEY.

A WOMAN'S VIEW.

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I read that a woman was arrested the other day for stealing a little coal from a railway truck. "I thought," she said, "that if I picked up some coal it would keep my starving children warm."

Who would not steal for a starving child? What mother can be blamed for caring more for her child than for the society, the Government, and the law and order which cannot keep her from starvation?

A MOTHER. Lyndhurst-gardens, Hampstead.

CRUEL CHARITY.

What is the good of doctoring up the irredeemable misery of the poor? Your readers talk, very glibly, of pity. What does the pity which distributes half-crowns result in?

At the best, it results in prolonging the miserable race of those foredoomed to come in last. At the worse, it provides half-acrown's worth of drink, and delirium, and insane forgetfulness for those who are in the habit of going straight to the cheapest relief they can find.

Tokenhouse-buildings, E.C.

THE JUDGE'S SECRET.

(Continued from page 10.)

trude on Miss Elton's morning hours, but that she had felt obliged to come.

"I have had a most affecting letter," she said,
"from my friend, Honoria Langley. She is a girl who has taken up work in the East End, and she gives all her time to it. She has come into touch with a case down there which demands immediate help. [18]. help.

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"Oh," cried Miss Elton, delighted that Miss Gascoyne had come to ask a favour, "if I can do anything in that way, please call upon me. My purse is always at your service."

"You are very generous," was the answer, "but I should not think of taking advantage of your offer—only, in this case, the people have a kind of claim on you. They are Armenians." with eagerness. "The doct," and the state of the control of

"It's that immigration law they have in the United States," cried Miss Elton indignantly, "How should you know about it?" asked Ger-

"How should you know about it?" asked Gertrude, surpiised.
"I know all about it," answered Miriam Elton.
"You forget that my father's people are a poor and struggling nation, living under a tyranny of a heartless Mohammedan. A good many of them have emigrated to the United States, and they have been very successful there."

She did not tell Gertrude at that moment that her father's money had bought the tickets for many of these emigrants, nor did she explain that she was continuing to act as a money-leader that she might still be the means of aiding her father's people.

might still be the means or meaning people.

"I've often talked," cried Gertrude, "with Honoria Langley, and with other girl friends who have taken up this East End work, and they all say that the United States had set an example which we should follow. I was very sorry when the

Anti-Alien Bill was withdrawn from Parliament. Here is a very case in point, Miss Elton: Seven people, in the depths of poverty, not speaking a word of any language but their own. They took steamer from England and went to New York. The clever Yankee rfues them. What happens? Does the steamer take them back to their own country? No, they are dumped down in the East End of London. Is that fair to our working-people there?" "They don't do anything that the British workman des." "They must," answered the ardent advocate of an Anti-Alien Bill, "or else they must go into the workshows. It seems to me that that is just as unfair to the English people as if they competed with them."

fair to the English people as if they competed with them."
"This country," answered Miss Elton, "owes much to its immigrants. Nearly all the great weaving industries, for instance, were started by men who came from the Continent. Besides, you forget how useful they are, Miss Gascoyne. Why, think how these industrious people in the East End do such vast amounts of sewing, for instance, at such low wages. Your working man would have to pay more for his clothing if it were not for them."

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"He doesn't want to profit by the results of this sweated toil," cried Gertrude. "He will be the first man who is pleased to pay a little more, and to know that his own fellows are earning an honest day's work, and getting a fair day's pay. But all this time we are forgetting our poor Armenian family. Miss Langley sends me a line sometimes when she gets any specially distressing case, and asks me to help her in making up a little purse. That's what she has written to me now for."

Gertrude had intentionally drawn away from the general discussion. The fact is, that each of the young ladies was becoming a little excited, and each felt a little uncomfortable. Peculiar circumstances had given both of them an unusual knowledge of the subject, and there was much more that each would have liked to say, but Gertrude saw that her impulsive half-Armenian friend was prepared to uphold her views with an ardour which might have resulted in some unkindly feeling.

"This family," she said, "seem-to-have been refused admission into the United States for a very peculiar reason. They were all perfectly healthy, and the man had about £20 in his pockets. Miss Langley says here, however, that the New York authorities found out that their passages were paid by some institution or other, or by charity. They don't admit such people, it seems."

Miss Elton started.
"Do you mind my looking at the letter?" she asked hurriedly.

She scanned it hastily. There was nothing more

than what she had heard, however. She feared that her carefully-guarded secret had at last been discovered. If so, the thousands of pounds which her father had each year been pouring into Armenia, and which she intended to continue to send, could no longer be used in the most effective way. The bulk of it had been spent in sending Armenians to New York. She was so deeply troubled over this possible obstruction to her plans that she abruptly for a moment turned the conversation.

versation.

"By the way," she said, as though a thought had suddenly flashed to her mind, "you guessed, Miss Gascoyne, why I mentioned certain names to you in your house. I knew the confidence was perfectly safe. I feel as though I ought to go on and complete it. Mr. Deverill is firmly established on his feet once again."

She mentioned Deverill's name first, knowing well that it was not the one in which Gertrude was interested.

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well that it was not the one in which Gertrude was interested.

"I knew it." I heard he had had a legacy—I was very glad."

Miss Elton waited in vain for a question. The self-contained English girl, whose heart was by no means on her sleeve, was a mystery to the ardent, impulsive, semi-Oriental. How she longed to know what Gertrude Gascoyne's feelings were for Hugh Mordaunt; but she got no clue. When at last she pronounced his name there was an unconscious change in her voice which made Gertrude suddenly look at her.

"Mr. Mordaunt," she said; "we spoke of him, too, I remember. I have seen him four times. He is very clever; he has been kind enough to give me some legal advice. He will not take any feeheasys a barrister cannot. I am going to see, however, that my solicitors send him the briefs in some cases. That will give him his start."

Gertrude looked quietly at the speaker and gave no hint of the feeling of resentment, of anger, that for an instant surged over her. That this girl, so attractive in her bizarre way, so rich, controlling affairs so considerable that she could talk about solicitors and briefs and putting people on their feet, should be the one who held out the helping, and they may be a sundenly brightened up. Her instant conclusion was that Miss Gascoyne could not be attached to him.

That illumination of the tell-tale countenance brought quick intuition to Gertrude.

"She loves him," she whispered to her heart; and she feared that its beating could be heard,

To be centinued.)

HOW TO MAKE A SERVICEABLE COAT FOR DAY OR EVENING WEAR.

MANTLE-MAKING AT HOME

A PRACTICAL LESSON IN CUTTING AND FITTING.

The charming coat depicted in the second column can be made in vicuna, face-cloth, covert-coating, serge, tweed, or any light-weight cloth. In a pale shade of tan it is smart and useful with a trimming of white silk appliqué on brown velvet. By carrying the sleeves up to the neck a comfortable fit is ensured, with a drooping, long-shouldered effect that is eminently becoming.

What the Diagram Teaches.

All woollen fabrics are made double-width as a rule, that is to say, about forty-four inches wide, so a diagram on those lines appears on this page.

This shows the material opened to its full extent in the first instance, and the centre crease pressed out of existence by the application of a hot iron over a damp cloth. Then, if the cloth can be used up or down, it is folded across to make it double, and the front laid parallel to the selvedge, allowing for a hem, with the sleeve, cuff, and collar fitted in at the side. But if the cloth has a right and wrong way up, then these pieces must be laid on it single, and repeated for the second side in a reverse position-that is, with the front to the opposite selvedge, and so on. For the back the central fold is retained, and a small gore added at

How To Build the Coat.

To make the coat, begin by adding the gores to the back and opening and pressing the seam, then join the side seams, and press them also; and the

join the side seams, and press them also; and the sleeves in like manner. Now proceed to tack in the sleeves, setting the seam to the notch in front, and the long curve under the arm and on to the back, as shawn by the punch holes. Try on the coat and make any alterations necessary to the shoulders before stitching and pressing it.

Under the front hem a-strip of canvas is tacked as a support for the buttons, the cloth being stitched down over it, and at the top where the curve is the most satisfactory way of finishing the base is to stitch a strip of binding on the extreme edge on the right side; then turn up as much of the cloth a control to the strip of the strip of the cloth as is required for the hem, and stitch or hem the other edge of the binding to the coat. Thus, only one row of stitching is visible on the outside, and the turning is quite next on the inside, without having the edge folded in, which is very bulky.

A Hint from the Tailors.

In tailor-work all hems, as well as seams, must be well pressed, but care must be taken not to allow the iron to come in direct contact with the material, or a shiny look is the result. The interposition of a piece of thin paper or rag is enough to prevent it.

position of a piece of thin paper or rag is enough to prevent it. Bar and cuffs is no difficult matter. First cut the shape in canvas, with turnings; then cover it with velvet, and proceed to buttonhole on the silk flowers, which may be cut by the aid of a transfer pattern. They cannot be pressed, so must be arranged carefully to lie flat. When ready, the cloth which is to form the fining is stitched to the outer edge and turned over. Then the velvet and canvas is sewn to the coat, and the cloth is hemmed over the turnings. It will be observed that the wrist fulness is so regulated that it is all

large fancy buttons and straight loops of cord sewn at the corresponding edge.

This coat can be used also for an evening wrap, and will be found most convenient for people who go to the theaftes and friends' houses by train, omnibus, or tramway-car. If it be intended only for wear as an evening wrap it can be made in lighter colours and thinner fabrics.

Thus it would be very pretty in French grey cashmere, with a trimming of cream silk on tan-

case it should be carried out in white serge of a rather coarse make and be lined with white silk throughout. The sleeves could be felt uncomined at the wrists, and full frills of face or gathered chiffon added to them. As a triming a very deep pointed collarette of mousesline de soie or pointed chiffon edged with frills of face would be appropriate, and a large how of black velvet ribbon would make a very nice finish at the neck, the two ends being left long enough to reach almost to the hem of the coat.

coat.

This coat takes four and three-quarter yards of 44in. material, and, if lined with 22in. silk, will require of that seven yards.

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TO CURE A HAM.

SEASONABLE RECIPES FOR DECEMBER

The trouble involved in curing hams and other meats at home is so slight that it is surprising more housekeepers do not adopt this means of keeping the breakfast-table supplied with tempting and inexpensive winter fare. A deep wood or enamelled tray or dish is needed to stand the meat in while the pickling is in process, and the rubbing in of the brine must be done daily and thoroughly under the mistress's own supervision. The quality of pork chosen, too, must be good; and lastly, the hams when cured must be hung in a day, cool place. If these points are attended to success may be depended upon. Appended is a well-tried north of England recipe for curing hams. TO CURE MODERATE-SIZED HAMS. Ingredients: -20z. saltpetre, \$1b. common salt, \$1b. bay salt, Ioz. black pepper. Mix these thoroughly together, and rub the result into the ment for four days, being careful to let the brine enter all the parts near the bone. Add Full particulars as to how this cost can be made are given in "Mantle-Making at Home." Apply for pattern No. F 4,125, to Papor Pattern Department, 2, Carmelite House, Carmelite-street, E.C. Flat paper pattern, 6;64, or tacked-up, including flat, 2e, 7;d. Diagram showing the home-worker

Sleeve Front

sketched in the second column from 44in

The original of this levely shawl was made for a re-cent bride to wear with her going-away costume. It was built of flounces of rich cream lace posed on cream chiffon backed with satin of the same shade, and was trimmed with beautiful ormine.

at the back of the arm, a space each side the seam being left quite plain.

The cuffs cannot be pressed down on the table on account of the velvet, so the only way is to get a friend to hold the iron inverted; unless you have a stand, which is more convenient and not expensive, and avoids all risk of a wrist giving way and someone being burnt. Then draw the cloth ride of the cuff backwards and forwards till the edges lie smooth and flat. The coat is secured by

Allb. brown sugar to the pickle, and continue rubbing and turning the meat every day for one month. Then remove the ham from the brine, hang it up in a cool place to dry, after which it should be sewn up in a bag and again hung up for some weeks, or until it is required for use.

The same recipe may be used for sides of bacon, and letys of mutton treated in this manner are deliurous. Housekeepers Irving at the seaside, or where fish curing is carried on, can usually arrange

to have their frams smoked on payment of a small sum of money. This additional process is, howsum of money. The ever, unnecessary.

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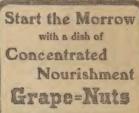
PRESSED BEEF.

Choose from \$B\) to 10lb, of the thick brisket of beef. Rub it well with common salt, and let it stand for twenty-four hours in this pickle. Then mix together Ilb. common salt, \$\frac{1}{2}\$b. by salt, \$\frac{1}{2}\$b. moist sugar, one teaspoonful of black pepper, half a teaspoonful of allspice, \$\frac{1}{2}\$b. so. saltpetre.

Rub the beef well with this mixture, and turn it every day for a fortnight or three weeks. When it is cured remove it from the pickle, wash and drain it, tie it nearly together, and boil it gently with a bunch of sweet herbs until it is tender enough for the bones to slip out easily. Bone it and put it into a round mould, or press it together and tie it into a round mould, or press it together and tie it into a round mould, or press it together and leave it until quite cold, when it should be turned out and glazed.

WORRY WILL KILL.

Even if the girl who works hard feels too tired to Even if the girl who works hard leels too tired to smile, she should try to do so, for it helps to chase the worries away from the brow. And it should be remembered that it is not work that ages one, it is worry, and worry kills. Don't worry. Whenever you are tempted to do so, try a dozen slow deep breaths of pure air. It will benefit you physically more than you can guess, and will drive your worries away if you will but let it.



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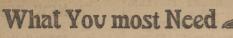
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RACING STILL FROZEN OUT.

Leicester Meeting Abandoned -Wve Races to the Rescue-Matters of Moment.

CONTENTIOUS TURF TOPICS.

It has been found necessary to abandon the steeplechase meeting fixed for to-day and to-morrow at Leicester. The thaw had not wiped out the snow, and a recurrence of frost put the course into such condition that the stewards yesterday decided on the abandonment.

And the Midland meetings may have to be followed in example by Kempton Park. The thaw has, however, been much more decided and pro longed in the south. An early announcement will be made by the executive of Kempton on the prospects of next Friday's and Saturday's sport.

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More importance than usual attaches to the unpretentious little meeting at Wye arranged to be held to-morrow. A message from Mr. Kennett need to-morrow. A message from Mr. Kennett states that the course is free from snow, and the weather in Kent very mild just now. The jumps have been protected, and unless a severe frost intervenes all will be well to-morrow. Large numbers of jumpers are trained within easy distance of Wye, and trainers will welcome the chance of racing.

Meanwhile there has been a literary blizzard touching the state of the Turf. The opinions expressed are as varied as the quality of the persons involved. It is easy to understand the conflict on the question of handicapping. Public form is, in theory, the sole ground on which handicappers work, but public form is the most unreliable of guides as to the merit of horses which are being "readled" for a future big race. The poorry of certain notorious stables has been carvassed time after time, and it has been fervently wisked that we had another Admiral Rous, who would handicap men rather than horses.

This contentious matter is inseparable from the Turf. It will always endure. There are other points on which gross misstatements have been made. Persons prate about the decline of racing who really know nothing valuable despite: their experience. The same sort of pessinistic cackle has been heard at intervals for more than a century. There is little evidence of decline in the fact that thirty years ago the total annual value of the races competed for was little over 2300,000, whereas the annual amount of stakes now reaches nearly half a million,

On questions of fact similarly easy of proof we find Sir Ernest Paget stating that there are not a few so many men of position who run horses and attend races as there were thirty years ago. At review of the recards of thirty years ago and of the last few easons upsets Sir Ernest Paget states for the state of the st

There are many things to be learned from the practice of foreign and Colonial Jockey Clubs, but we are very slow to adopt any innovation. The starting-gate is still a subject of acrid dispute, and he should be a bold man who would say that we shall soon see stipendiary stewards. There would, of course, be some difficulty in getting men suited for such an office. But it is not insuperable. The present system is lamentably deficient. Our honorary stewards for the most part get through their nominal duties in merely perfunctory manner. In fact these gentlemen seldom remained to the end of the day's racing. The Jockey Club now insists, by throwing the responsibility on clerks of courses, that the stewards shall stay to the finish.

There is a lack of initiative, and a most pronounced reluctance to interfere in any tangled questions, and in practice our stewards are merely ornamental personages. Paid stewards would have a direct responsibility, and, judging by their effective work in other countries, similar officials should do well in England.

There must be some confusion in Mr. E. C.
Clayton's mind on the subject of jockeyship. The
American invasion and the institution of the starting-gate are in his opinion two causes which have
proved seriously detrimental to the best interests
of the Turf. "The American invasion." Mr.
Clayton reduces in its bad effect to the style of
riding introduced. The American seat "has entirely destroyed true horsemanship and left us
with few, if any, jockeys worthy of the name."
It is in the same breash admitted that the style
whas races, "but it is entirely trick riding, and

The object of race-riding is to win, and if it be admitted that the American style is more effective than any other there is nothing left for argument. To abolish it would be as logical as to suggest that all professional riding should be supplanted by amateurs. Tod Sloan won on horses (some, for example, in Lord Dunraven's colours) which were absolutely incapable of winning under the English method. It is a matter of history how Sloan won race after race, and had such a vogue that other jockeys were forced to adopt the method.

The procumbent seat was ridiculed as "monkey-on-the-stick" horsemanship. But those who were loudest in their sneering very quickly adopted the style because of its startling efficiency. And the English jockeys who have most largely adopted the American seat have ever since scored heavily. W. Lane is an example. And Otto Madden, who is now for the fourth time at the head of the winning jockey list, deliberately threw over the old method, shortened his leathers, and took the forward seat. No one argues that the style would be suitable to steeplechasing. That it offends the eye of old stagers is a matter of no concern. In proved efficiency its surpasses all others—and what other test of merit in race riding can there be?

GREY FRIARS

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THE NEW RULE FOR TWO-YEAR-OLDS.

The rale permitting races for two-year-olds over less distance than five ful one in the spring is being taken advantage of generally by the distance of the following races has been reduced:—Brockleby Stakes Clincoln Spring, four and a half furlougs and the Kineton Spring, four and a half furlougs.

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JOCKEYS' WINNINGS IN STAKES.

Although "Danny" Maher has won only 115 races, as against 161 won by Otto Madden, he has been very aggregate value of the stakes he has won amounts to no less than £71,495 10s., whereas Madden has won conjugation of the stakes he has won amounts to no less than £71,495 10s., whereas Madden has won conjugation of the stakes he has worth a stake of the stakes he has worth a stake of the stakes he had been a stake of the stakes he had been a stake the stake of the stakes he had been a stake of the stakes had been a stake the stake of the stakes had been a stake h

Indeed, the last-named only comes third on the list of W. Lane 124 winning races aggregated 289,536, accident over two mouths ago he wind has the head of the list. As it is, he occupies the same position as last year, when he won £44,38 lbs. Madden then "topped" the list with £54,776 lbs., and Maher was third with £30,00 lbs. Now they have changed places. We have the control of the list with £54,776 lbs., and Maher was third with £30,00 lbs. Now they have changed places up into the fourth place. W. Halsey and M. Cannon, who were then fourth and fifth respectively, have each dropped one step.

Altogether sevenate of £10,000 The following is the fifth: 1. b. Maher (116 races, 240,000 lbs.); 3. W. Lane (134 races, £68,538 lbs.); 3. O. Madden (fol races, £24,003 lbs.; 4. B. Dillon (75 races, £24,703 lbs.); 4. W. Lane (134 races, £68,538 lbs.); 6. M. Cannon (87 races, £68,538 lbs.); 3. O. Mandden (167 races, £24,003 lbs.); 6. M. Cannon (87 races, £14,811 lbs.); 10. H. Jones (41 races, £12,344 lbs.); 13. C. £14,811 lbs.); 14. H. Jones (41 races, £12,344 lbs.); 14. C. £14,152 lbs.); 15. L. L. Javois (41 races, £12,344 lbs.); 14. C. £14,152 lbs.); 16. W. Cannon (167 races, £14,811 lbs.); 16. W. Cannon (167 races, £14,811 lbs.); 17. L. L. Javois (41 races, £12,344 lbs.); 14. C. £14,152 lbs.); 16. W. Cannon (167 races, £14,811 lbs.); 17. L. L. Javois (41 races, £12,344 lbs.); 18. C. £14,152 lbs.); 18. W. Cannon (167 races, £14,541); 18. J. L. Javois (41 races, £12,344 lbs.); 18. C. £14,152 lbs.); 18. W. Cannon (167 races, £15,451); 18. M. Javois (41 races, £12,344 lbs.); 18. C. £14,152 lbs

LATEST SCRATCHINGS.

Three-Year-Old Hurdle, Sandown.—Hymenæus. Handicap Hurdle, Haydock.—Karri, All engagements.—Belle of Kuockany.

LONDON SENIOR CUP DRAW.

A meeting of the Council of the London Football Association was held last evening. The draw for the fifth round of the qualifying competition was made, and also that for the first round of the competition proper.

A. Ilford Alliance or Wallington or Croydon v. Alleyr

A. Hibrardian.
Leytonstoner Lee v. Polytechnic or Wanstead.
C. Bowes Park or Catford South End v. Olympic.
D. Woodford or West Hampstead or Barking v. Woolich Polytechnic or Nunhead.

To be played on December 17. Kick-off 2.15. Following his the draw for the first round of the competition proper as made, with the following result:—
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Old Carthusians v. Winners of D.
Old Malvernians v. Casuals.
Townley Park v. Richmond Association.
Old Westminsters v. Clapton.
Dulwich Hamlet v. Winners of C.
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Saling v. Condon: Calcidonians.
To be played on January 7, 1905. Kick-off 2.15.

A proposal by Mr. Schumacher to give up fixing London Football Association matches next season, owing withdrawn, and it was decided to refer the question to a committee consisting of the teams' selection committee and the representatives of the senior clubs on the council.

smacks more of the hippodrome and circus than SELECTING ENGLAND'S of the racecourse." RUGBY FIFTEEN.

Methods Which Brought Disaster Last Season-Men Who Should Play for the South.

SOME MISTAKES TO AVOID.

There are many signs that the lean years which the Rugby Union game in England has experienced are almost exhausted. Last year England enced are almost exhausted. Last year England had a superb scrummage, and it was not the lacking in material that prevented us from having a sound three-quarter line and great skill at half-back. But no fact, no argument, no persussion, would shake the heretical judgment of the Selection Committee from its first self-created faith. There was the lesson at Leicester unlearned, and perversity had to pay the penalty again at Inverleith. I am not reckoning the form in England v. Ireland at Blackheath. Any tolerably good first-class club team could have beaten Ireland on that afternoon.

Selectors' Hesitanoy.

And now I understand that the English Selection
Committee for the South team are not going to
make up their minds about the South fifteen, the
bulk of which must of necessity form the International team, until after Devon v. Gloucestershire
at Exeter, seven days before North v. South. Club,
county, and university form this season should
have given the committee a consistent line on which
to go; and the line was obviously exposed in the
recent trial at Richmond between the West and the
Rest.

The symmmage must come from Blackheath.

Rest.

The scrummage must come from Blackheath, Richmond, and Oxford, with perhaps Mathias thrown in. With so much skill here L. A. L. Carter can well afford to wait another year, and so, too, can S. P. Start, the half of the United Services. Well, the committee have two pairs of half-backs: Stoop and Mainprice, and Hanocek and Butcher. I should play the former pair, for Mainprice is a very great player this year, and both he and Stoop have the real genius for the game. And genius will out.

The three-quarter line should remain as at Richmond, that is—Palmer, Raphael, Dillon, Coopper; and the full-back should, for the South, be, Lee. I suppose with the match at Devonport the committee will throw a sop to the West, and play Irwin. Apploadise for Fallures.

Apologies for Failure.

Apologies for Falture.

The Rugby Union Selection Committee blundered so badly last year with certain players in the half and three-quarter back lines that I am not very expectant that they will do the obviously correct thing this year. They will try and please most sections of the country, and will satisfy none. Sincere Rugby Unionists of the severest loyalty to the game clamour for bread and are given a stone. And now the apologia of the Rugby Union for last year's failures consist of alleged bad luck (bad place-kicking) at Leicester, and the injury to the "prophet" at Inverteith.

I would reply by asking another question. What player by his bad kicking prevented the game from being ours at Leicester, and what player by his bad kicking prevented the game from being ours at Leicester, and what player by his bad kicking prevented the game from being ours at Leicester, and what player by his bad kicking prevented the game from being ours at Leicester, and what player by his bad kicking prevented the game from being ours at Leicester, and what player by decaying enabled the Scotsmen to win?

If the Rugby Union fails to do justice to England by its selection this year, pray do not let it subside urder the moth-caten superstition that England is passing through more lean years. The standard of excellence in the Rugby game is greater than it has been for a long time. And my desire is that Stanger-Leathes has profited by his Colonial trip, and is going to be an able successor to that prince of full-back.—Gamlin. TOUCH JUDGE.

SHERIFF OF LONDON SHIELD.

"For some time efforts have been made to secure a convenient date whereby Shefield Wednerday, champions of the League, and the Corinthians might come together in the annual match for the Shefield Daily Shefield, "states "Looker On" in the "Shefield Daily "So far those efforts have not met with success, Originally dates were submitted to the Wednesday directors for Sattrdays on which the club was engaged in was proposed by the Shefield club. The reply to that suggestion was that Easter was rather late for the decision of the match, but the Wednesday directors have decision of the match, but the Wednesday directors have decision can be come to one way or the other. "Most likely from what I hear the match will eventually take place between the clubs here mentioned, and thus this particular competition, an appearance of which their past form has clearly entitled them."

MIDDLESEX V. KENT.

The turf of the Richmond Athletic Ground was in such a bad state yeaterday that even if the thaw had become rapid the turf would scarcely have been playable to-day. Unless it is possible to play next Wednesday the fatture will probably be deferred until early in February.

MUNICIPAL BODIES AND FOOTBALL.

The Fullnam Football Club is between two stools at the moment, the L.C.C. and the Fullnam Borough Council disputing as to which body has the authority to license the stands on the ground.

The Bought of the L.C.C. at Wort London yetter-day summoned the club, the district surveyor stating that he would not be responsible for the safety of the public. The case was adjourned, and the work will probably be at a standard until until 164 decoded which is the authority.

AUSTRALIA WANTS A NEW BOWLER.

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JONES IN FINE FETTLE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) .

SYDNEY, Oct. 31.-Many innovations have resulted from the dearth of bowlers in Australia.

The Sydney Association's scheme for the discovery of fresh talent is not a bad one. The colony is divided into districts, and district is being pitted

is divided into districts, and district is being pitted against district under watchful eyes.

Early in the new year we shall probably see one or two teams of country cricketers in Sydney. There is still hope that another "Bill" Howell is concealed somewhere in the "backblocks." Victoria has its "country cricketers" week every season. Ballarat and District plays Bendigo and District in Melbourne, and so on. So far, the scheme has not yielded any dividend in the shape of a player of international merit.

Tasmania Angry.

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From far Tasmania comes a loud cry of rage. Up to the present second elevens have been sent from Victoria to the Sleepy Island in inter-State matches. They usually get beaten, as the indignant Tasmanians point out.

Tasmanian now declares she will play the best Victorian eleven or none at all. The match will probably take place, and it may be fixed for Melbourne, as everyone wants to have a look at Windsor and Savigny, both of whom are international possibles.

As foretold in the last letter, Darling is a certainty, and there is now talk of Trumble. There are many difficulties to be overcome before "Long Hughie" can arrange for another half-year's furfough, and I am given to understand that the matter will not be decided until near the end of February.

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At the present time Laver's form makes him about the best all-round man in Australia. In club cricket centuries come easy to him, and he is bowling remarkably well. That reminds me that Cotter meets with continued success in Saturday cricket, and that on good wickets. But club cricket here is very different to the first-class article.

Ten "Stone" Certainties.

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As matters stand, there are practically only four vacancies to fill, assuming that the team will consist of fourteen players. The certainties are Laver (Victoria); Noble, Trumper, Hopkins, Duff, Kelly, and Cotter (N.S. Wales); and Hill, Darling, and Newlands (South Australia). Newlands will go as second wicketkeeper, and should make a remarkably capable understudy for Kelly.

Only four vacancies to fill, and a slow bowler as well as a right-hand medium pace still to be found. If the Australian eleven of 1909 put up any fresh record, it will be one of drawn games.

A wind from the west rays that Ernest Jones—"Jonah the Whirtwind"—is in fine fettle over in Coolgardie. His broken arm has mended perfectly, and the locals declare he can bowl faster than eyer.

1. O. S. Poidevin has returned, and, if batsmen were wanted, would surely take an autumn ticket for the "cold country." But Australia still yearns for bowlers.

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CANTARS ON THE THAMES.

For the first time in fourteen years the Cambridge crews practising for the inter-Yarsity boatrace are frozen out of the Cam, and practice has to take place on the Thames.

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Fog harder ever on the Thames at Putney spaterday, and the release of the Cambridge trial, the president, H. Sanger (Lady Margaret) had the mistoriume to be attacked by lumbago, which promises to keep him out of the race.
In consequence of this, Lewes, of Lady Margaret, has been asked to appear as stroke of the president's crew the season of the president's crew of the president's crew of the season of the president's crew of the day C. W. D. Taylor and F. J. Escombe, the two coaches, and Harry Kelly, a nephew of the old professional scalling champion, deputised morning or attenuous.
Wharf to Putney Bridge in the morning, when there was little tide beneath them.

TO-DAY'S FOOTBALL MATCHES.

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The medals and prites in connection with the Sunday Newspaper Cricket League were presented to the winners at a concert at the Homa Assembly Rooms. The "Referce" won the competition, and Messra, S. A. Mussabini (average 48) and C. H. Smith (average 48) took the bat and ball awarded to the players with the best betting and bowling averages,

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